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City Of Quincy Municipal Election Tuesday, Nov. 7

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As part of its coverage of the 2023 Quincy Municipal Election, The Quincy Sun asked each of the candidates in contested races (School Committee and City Councillor in Ward 2, Ward 4 and Ward 6) to submit biographical information and responses to two questions for profiles. Photos of the candidates in contested races appear below in the order of their position on the ballot. Last week's Sun (Sept. 21st edition) had profiles of the mayoral candidates. This week profiles of the other contested candidates appear in print in the order of their ballot position beginning on Page 8. The Quincy Municipal Election is Tuesday, Nov. 7.

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School Committee *

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Ward 2 Councillor

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Ward 4 Councillor

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Candidate for
Ward 6 Councillor

DEBORAH A. RILEY
Candidate for
Ward 6 Councillor

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City Observes National POW/MIA Recognition Day

By SCOTT JACKSON

Dozens of veterans, residents and city officials gathered at Marina Bay recently to commemorate National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

The ceremony was held the morning of Sept. 15 at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Clock Tower inside Marina Bay, which honors the 50 Quincy men who died as a result of the war.

"Today we gather here with heavy hearts in solemn remembrance to honor and remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation," said Christine Cugini, the city's director of veterans' services. "The POW and

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City Observes National POW/MIA Recognition Day

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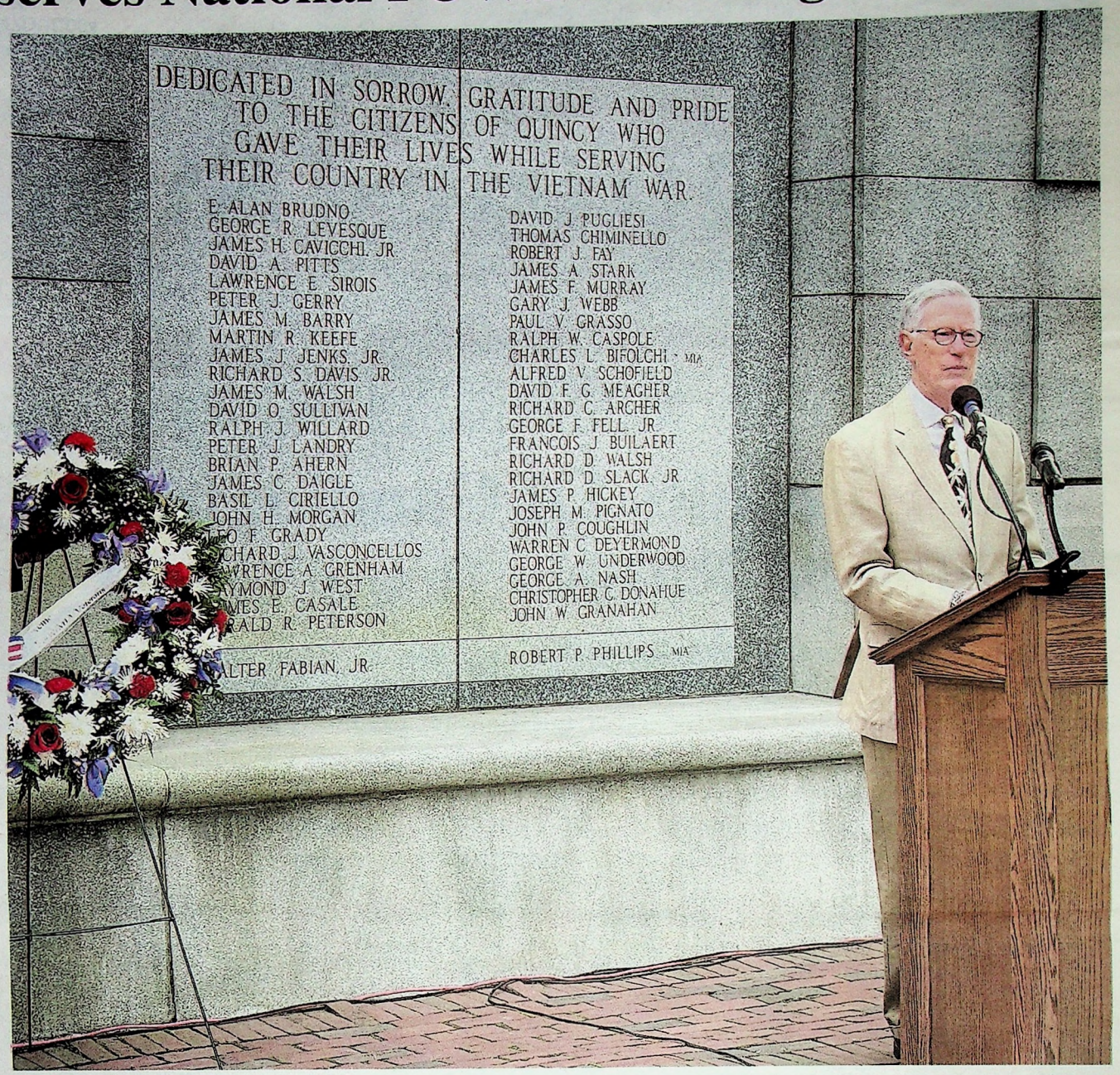
MIA ceremony is a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by our brave men and women who served in the defense of freedom and democracy.

"We stand here today not just as spectators but as a united community bound by the shared values of honor, duty and remembrance. Let us recommit ourselves to the values that these brave souls exemplified: courage, sacrifice and unity. Let us strive to ensure that their sacrifice were not in vain and that their memories live on in the fabric of our nation. Let us pledge to always remember those who have served and to work tirelessly until every POW is returned and every MIA is accounted for."

Navy veteran Robert Brudno was the guest speaker at the Marina Bay ceremony. His brother, E. Alan Brudno, a Quincy native, spent seven-and-half-years as prisoner of war in Vietnam and died by suicide four months after his release. Alan Brudno's name was added to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC, in 2004 after years of lobbying.

"Many of you have heard me tell my brother's story," Robert Brudno told the crowd. "The joy my family felt 50 years ago when he came home was brief. Just four months after Alan returned, he was gone, allowed to slip through our fingers because no one had learned history's lessons. PTSD didn't even have a name back then. The North Vietnamese couldn't kill him, we just let him bleed out back here.

"After he died, it took me years to finally find a new mission, but I found it here in Quincy because you never forgot the POWs and the MIAs and their families. We talked here at these various ceremonies about the need to make our country aware of the stigma that prevents those suffering from the psychological wounds of combat from seeking help. I figured that if people couldn't understand how someone who had endured seven and a half years of torture couldn't survive four months of freedom, how could they understand what anybody who served in mortal combat is going through."



NAVY VETERAN Robert Brudno was the guest speaker on Sept. 15. His brother, E. Alan Brudno, was held prisoner in Vietnam for seven-and-a-half years and died by suicide four months after his release. "After he died, it took me years to finally find a new mission, but I found it here in Quincy because you never forgot the POWs and the MIAs and their families," Robert Brudno said. *Quincy Sun Photos/Scott Jackson*

"Events here became more than just a recitation of stories about the POWs. It became all about veterans who returned home from an unpopular war and didn't get the help that they deserved," he said. "And Quincy went further. Because of the ceremonies you faithfully continue to have here and the simple naming of squares to honor these men, you have given their families something they have always needed, and that is knowing that they too were not forgotten."

Brudno said the United States changed its combat doctrine in the wake of the Vietnam War to minimize the chance that Americans would be taken prisoner.

"Fifty years ago, the Vietnam War ended. We didn't end the war in the traditional sense, but we got all that we could get. We're gathered here to remember the men that ended up being the only thing we could win, the release of the POWs and an accounting of the missing," Brudno said.

"Beginning in 1968 with the so-called peace talks, our POWs became strategic hostages. Even though we had withdrawn thousands of

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CHRISTINE CUGINI, Quincy's director of Veterans' Services, welcomes the crowd to the National POW/MIA Recognition Day at Marina Bay. "Let us pledge to always remember those who have served and to work tirelessly until every POW is returned and every MIA is accounted for," she said.

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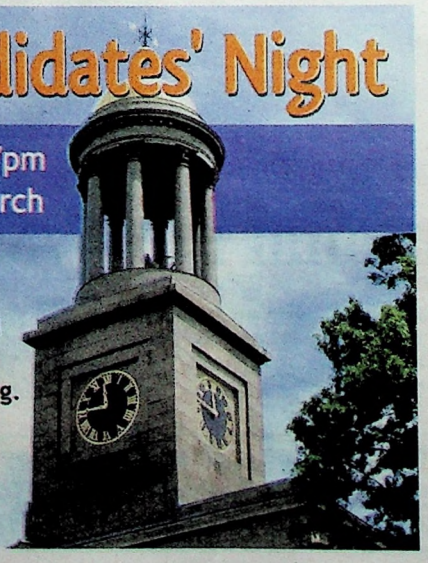


Planning Board OKs Wollaston Buildings

By SCOTT JACKSON

The Planning Board has given its blessing to a developer's plan to construct a pair of buildings in Wollaston with a total of 80 apartments between them.

The Planning Board on Sept. 13 approved proposals by the Walpole-based Marion Group to construct the new buildings at 731 Hancock St. and 13 Wentworth Rd. The Zoning Board of Appeals previously approved plans for the same sites on Aug. 22.

The property at 731 Hancock St. contains 21,146 square feet of land and was formerly home of New York Mart, a now-closed grocery store. The property at 13 Wentworth Rd., which is located across the street from the former market, is a 15,116-square-foot parking lot. Both parcels are zoned as Business C.

A six-story, 53-unit apartment building was proposed for 731 Hancock St. The building will have a two-level garage with room for 66 vehicles. The developer also has permission to lease 15 spaces from St. Ann's Church, which owns the parking lot that surrounds the market on site now.

A four-story, 27-unit apartment building was proposed for 13 Wentworth Rd. A total of 38 spaces will be available in its garage.

The Planning Board first held a public hearing on the proposed buildings on May 10. At this month's hearing, Edward Fleming, the applicant's attorney, said his client had revised the plans for the Hancock Street building to move a garage entrance that would have been located on Hancock Street to Wentworth Road, meaning both garage entrances would be on the latter road. The plans for the Wentworth Road building were unchanged.

Board member Alie Shaughnessy asked about stormwater control measures proposed for the Wentworth Road parcel, citing recent flooding in other parts of the state.

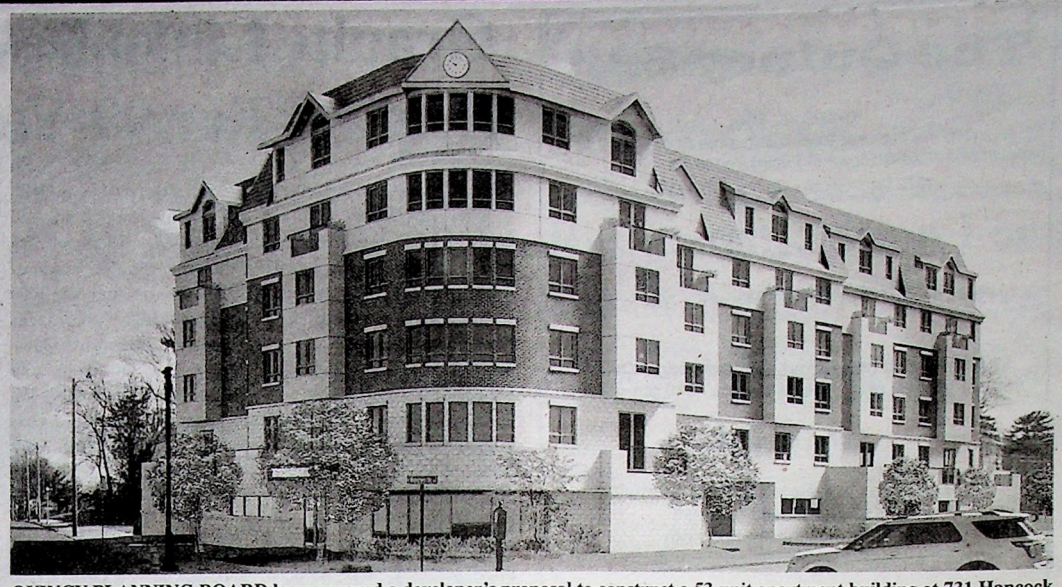
"I'm getting nervous when I see – and it doesn't happen all the time – in Leominster and so forth, what happened, a lot of big rain events," he said.

The applicant's engineer, Karlis Skulte, said the stormwater system on the lot would move water from the surface to pipes installed under the building slab, which would then infiltrate into the ground, and the system would be able to hold roughly what can be stored on the lot presently. He also noted the city is currently working on plans to address stormwater throughout Wollaston Center.

The board voted to approve the buildings in a pair of unanimous votes following the public hearing. No residents spoke during the meeting.

In other business on Sept. 13, the board allowed the Wollaston Lutheran Church to withdraw without prejudice its application to construct a new church building at 552 Hancock St. Fleming, who also represented the church before the Planning Board, said revised plans for a new church building could be submitted in the coming months.

The board also continued until Oct. 11 the public hearing on the Galvin brothers' plan to construct a new residential building at 21 Totman St. in South Quincy to give the developers additional time to make the changes to the proposal. The Zoning Board of Appeals had signed off on plans for a 32-unit condominium building on site in August.



QUINCY PLANNING BOARD has approved a developer's proposal to construct a 53-unit apartment building at 731 Hancock St. (pictured) as well as a similar looking 27-unit apartment building at nearby 13 Wentworth Rd. The site on Hancock Street is the former home of New York Mart.

Rendering Courtesy Donahue Architects

QCAN Candidates' Night Oct. 4

Where do Quincy's mayoral and city council candidates stand on plans to address the causes and impacts of climate change and other environmental issues facing the city?

Find out when Quincy Climate Action Network (QCAN) hosts a Candidates' Night on Wednesday, Oct. 4th, at the United First Parish Church at 7 p.m. (Church of the Presidents), 1306 Hancock St., Quincy.

The event is free and open to the public. QATV will be recording the event, and will make it available to watch the next day on qatv.org.

QCAN and other community groups will pose questions to the candidates about environmental issues and their plans to address the impacts of climate change locally. Topics will include adoption of building codes for net-zero construction, establishing city climate goals and a climate action plan, protecting our natural resources, and transportation, among others.

Confirmed attendees include mayoral candidates Thomas Koch and Anne Mahoney; at-large city council candidates Scott Campbell, Noel DiBona, and Nina Liang; and ward councillor candidates Dave McCarthy (Ward 1), Anthony Andronico and Richard Ash (Ward 2), James Devine and Matthew Lyons (Ward 4) and William Harris and Deborah Riley (Ward 6).

QATV Mayoral Debate At Quincy High Oct. 12

Quincy Access Television (QATV) will host a mayoral debate between Mayor Thomas Koch and Councillor-at-Large Anne Mahoney on Thursday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. at Quincy High School.

The debate will be open to the public.

QATV also hosted a mayoral debate Sept. 25 that featured questions submitted from Quincy residents. The forum was moderated by QATV's Joe Catalano.

"Quincy Access Television is happy to organize and host the debates to help inform the voters of Quincy," QATV's Executive Director Jonathan Caliri said. "We felt it was important to give residents an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates, which is why this debate was dedicated for that."

Additional information about the second debate Oct. 12 will be released soon.

For more information about the Mayoral Debates or replay times, visit www.QATV.org/election or call 617-376-1440 ext. 224.

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Moments in time

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• On **Oct. 9, 2004**, Afghan voters went to the polls for the first time in their nation's history to vote for a president and elected Hamid Karzai, who had served as their interim president after the collapse of the Taliban regime three years earlier.

• On **Oct. 10, 1845**, George Bancroft -- historian, educator and secretary of the Navy -- founded the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, to improve the then-unsatisfactory methods of instructing the service's midshipmen.

• On **Oct. 11, 2000**, at a ceremony in London, the International Women of the Year Association awarded the title "Greatest Woman Achiever of the Century" to Russian engineer and cosmonaut Valentina V. Tereshkova, who became the first woman in space when she flew a solo mission on the Vostok 6 on June 16, 1963.

• On **Oct. 12, 1810**, the first Oktoberfest was celebrated in Munich, Germany, in honor of the marriage of Ludwig, the crown prince of Bavaria (who later became King Louis I), to Princess Therese von Sachsen-Hildburghausen. The festivities lasted nearly a week and ended in a horse race. Today, the festival is the largest in the world, with more than 6 million participants around the globe.

• On **Oct. 13, 1950**, the movie "All About Eve," starring Bette Davis and Anne Baxter, premiered in both Paris and New York City. Known for its acid wit, it won six Academy Awards, including Best Picture, but was roundly criticized for depicting a character smoking in bed by an Indiana man who was part of his local fire prevention committee.

• On **Oct. 14, 1926**, English humorist, poet and playwright A.A. Milne published "Winnie-the-Pooh," a children's book set in the fictional Hundred Acre Wood featuring the adventures of the eponymous honey-loving bear and his good friends, including Eeyore, Christopher Robin and Piglet.

• On **Oct. 15, 1966**, Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale founded the Black Panther Party, with a mission of protecting African Americans from police brutality. The organization developed into a Marxist revolutionary group, calling for, among other things, the arming of all African Americans and the release of African Americans from jail.

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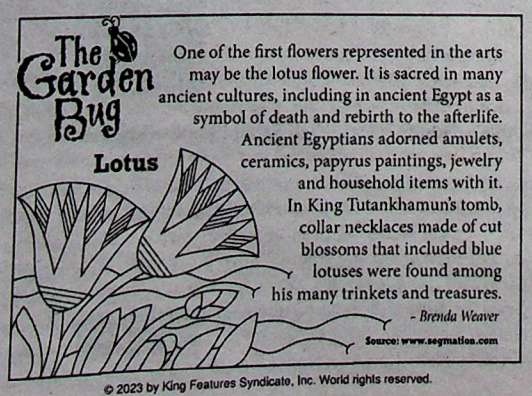

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Granite Links Developer Withdraws Request For 99-Year Lease Extention

By SCOTT JACKSON

The developer behind Granite Links on Monday pressed pause on his request for a 99-year lease extension, citing the timeline for planned improvements to the intersection of Ricciuti Drive and Willard Street.

Mayor Thomas Koch in 2022 submitted a home rule petition to the City Council that, if approved, would have allowed the city and Quarry Hills Associates, the operators of Granite Links, to enter into a 99-year lease extension for the 242-acre property off Ricciuti Drive. Councillors held a pair of public hearings on the matter, one in November and the other in February, during which time a number of residents raised concerns about the lease extension.

In Monday's letter to city councillors, Quarry Hills Associates President Thomas O'Connell said he "thought it best to pause the lease extension at this time."

"Given the current projected timeline regarding the Ricciuti Drive intersection safety improvements, Quarry Hills has made the decision to request the withdrawal of QHA's request for a 99-year lease extension," O'Connell said.

"Over the past year QHA has attended and presented at numerous Quincy City Council meetings, conducted public on-site meetings and tours, met with citizens both from and outside Quincy and met with every city councillor individually. We have listened to the voices of our fellow citizens, our customers, and members of the City Council.

"There remains legitimate safety concerns regarding the Ricciuti Drive intersection that must be addressed as a component of the overall corridor planning efforts, and we look forward to participating in that public process. We recognize that it will take time for the MassDOT process of infrastructure study and planning to correct the Ricciuti Drive intersection deficiencies, and that time frame appears to coincide with the current challenging economic climate. As a result, I thought it best to pause the lease extension proposal at this time."

MassDOT held a community meeting in August to review plans to address the intersection of Ricciuti Drive and Willard Street, which is located at the bottom of the hill upon which Granite Links was constructed. Officials said the design of the intersection improvements – which will include a new traffic signal, changes to the geometry, bike lanes and other features – should be finalized by May 2025. The timeline for work on the $1.5 million project, the cost of which will be borne by the federal and state governments, has yet to be determined.

While O'Connell has withdrawn his request for the lease extension, on Monday he indicated that Quarry Hills Associates would honor the commitments it made to the community during the public process.

"Please know that we will fulfill our commitments to (i) upgrade the ballfields at the end of this playing season and (ii) install the enhanced hiking trail signage this year," he wrote in the letter to city councillors, adding "We believe that all interested parties have a fuller understanding of the breadth of lease obligations that QHA delivers upon throughout the year, regardless of the season."

In the future, O'Connell said Quarry Hills Associates "will invest the time to prepare a conceptual development plan with supporting data."

"That will allow us to discuss potential development projects more comprehensively, as well as the resultant projected lease revenue increases to the city," he said.

"We appreciate the open and candid conversations regarding the 99-year lease extension request and look forward to continuing those discussions in the future."

The city's current 50-year lease with Quarry Hills Associates was approved in 1994 and amended in 2002, city officials said previously. Under the current lease, the city receives 10 percent of all gross golf-related revenue the club generates and 10 percent of all other net revenue from the facility, including functions and food and alcohol sales. Between 2002 and 2022, the city received $7.6 million in rental payments from the club, including $825,000 last year, a representative from Granite Links told city councillors in February.

Koch and his opponent in this year's mayoral election, Councillor Anne Mahoney, were asked to comment on the lease during a debate held Monday night. See story below for their responses.

Koch, Mahoney Meet In First Debate

By SCOTT JACKSON

During their debate on Monday evening, the two candidates running for mayor in this year's municipal election – incumbent Mayor Thomas Koch and Councillor Anne Mahoney – addressed a number of topics, including the withdrawn Quarry Hills lease extension, affordability in the city and the MBTA.

Quincy Access Television organized Monday's debate, which was moderated by QATV's Joe Catalano. The debate featured questions submitted by Quincy residents and each candidate was able to ask one question of their opponent as well.

During her opening statement, Mahoney said it was time for a change in City Hall.

"I decided to get into this race because I think it's time for new leadership in City Hall so that we can actually stand up for our community for all of us to be able to thrive in our city," Mahoney said. "I've been at your doors, on the phones, at community events and we've been talking about the challenges that actually we need to meet here in the city of Quincy. As your mayor, I promise that we will deliver those challenges."

In his opening statement, Koch said he was proud of his administration's accomplishments.

"I'm very fortunate to serve as the mayor of this great city and I'm proud of the accomplishments we've had working together – working together with my colleagues in government and working together with employees, department heads and colleagues at all levels of government for that matter," Koch said. "We've got this city through some very difficult crises over the years – weather events, pandemics, whether it was snow, inland floods, coastal floods, and we came out stronger each time."

The first question posed to the candidates concerned the proposed 99-year lease extension for Quarry Hills Associates, the operators of Granite Links. Noting the developers behind the golf course had withdrawn their request for the 99-year extension hours before the debate, Catalano asked the two candidates for their thoughts.

Mahoney said the 99-year lease as proposed "was just not a good deal for the taxpayers of the city of Quincy." The lease would have allowed the operators of the course to deduct interest payments on loans from the rent they pay the city, she said, and "that means they could be borrowing billions of dollars and the interest would be written off by the city of Quincy."

"I realize today that they pulled that because of Ricciuti Drive – traffic was also

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DiBona Office Hours At City Hall Oct. 10

Councillor-at-Large Noel DiBona will hold office hours at Quincy City Hall in the Great Hall, James R. McIntyre Government Center, 1305 Hancock St. on Tuesday, Oct. 10th from 5 to 6 p.m.

DiBona hosts office hours to give Quincy residents an opportunity to come in and discuss any topics in-person. You can contact him by email ndibona@quincyma.gov or call 617-834-4081 for any questions.

ANHP Hiring Recreation Fee Technician For '24 Season

Adams National Historical Park is hiring a recreation fee technician for the 2024 season.

The RFT will serve as a front-line, uniformed representative of the NPS, welcoming the public to Adams National Historical Park. Primary duties include staffing the Visitor Center which features books and memorabilia relating to the history of the Adams family and the formation of our nation. The RFT will also sell park passes and tickets to tours of the historic homes of two Presidents and four generations of the Adams family. The RFT will also interact with visitors of all kinds, answering their questions and getting them excited about all that the Park and the City of Quincy has to offer.

The pay for this position is $20.32 per hour and would last May through October of 2024.

Call 617-770-1175 for more information and how to apply.

Scenes From Yesterday

THIS IS AN old postcard showing the end of Sea Street in Houghs Neck 109 years ago in 1914. This view is from the intersection of Bay View Avenue. The Quincy Yacht Club is just out of sight on the right where Sea Avenue begins its climb to the top of Great Hill in the distance. The trolley tracks curved around the corner on the right to end in a car barn behind Dunham's store which was also the post office. The Boston Candy Store advertised college ices (sundaes) under the Moxie sign on the right of the Hotel Pandora's dance hall. Peterson's on the left sold groceries and provisions including fresh milk; notice the milk cans on the sidewalk. The building just beyond Peterson's was Moore's Ballroom. All the commercial buildings in this pictured disappeared many years ago.

From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1990
33 Years Ago

Residents Petition For Sea St. Safety Changes

Some 50 Houghs Neck residents living on or near Sea Street asked the Quincy Traffic Commission to make changes along that dangerous road which was the scene of a fatal accident several weeks ago.

Ward 1 Councillor Peter Kolson introduced a petition signed by the residents at the City Council meeting that requests the Traffic Commission to meet as soon as possible to consider the recommendations. They included:

• Install at least two traffic signals on Sea Street between the intersections of Sea Street and Post Island Road and Sea Street and Peterson Road, timed to require frequent stops.

• Rework the blinking traffic lights at the intersection of Sea and Babcock Streets to a working traffic signal.

• Paint the roadway at or before the beginning of Peterson Road on the inside travel lane to indicate narrowing of the roadway.

• Install reflecting devices, bright paint or other indicators on utility poles on the curve in Sea Street at the 700 block.

• Install such signs or other warning signals as may be deemed necessary.

O'CONNELL STEPPING DOWN AS FIRE CHIEF

Fire Chief Paul O'Connell will step down and return to his former position as a deputy chief, Mayor James Sheets announced.

Deputy Chief Thomas Gorman, who served as acting chief from June 1988 to February, 1989 will again become acting chief after O'Connell steps down.

O'Connell, age 40, said he is stepping down because he has not been happy as chief the past 18 months. He also said he did not like being an administrator.

"I've been working at trying to make (the chief's) job work for me. The last year, I really wasn't happy with it. It was my goal to be deputy chief and I never considered being chief of the department," O'Connell said. "I'm not an administrator. I'm action orientated. I love being on the fire ground. It's just my nature."

QUINCYISMS

In his Sunbeams column, **Henry Bosworth** fondly remembered **Remo DeNicola** who co-owned the old South Shore Television and Appliance Store in Quincy Center with his brother, Pete. Mr. DeNicola died Sept. 20 at the age of 68. Henry called Remo a genuine friend to many and a good family man. He also thought back to 1968 when he hoped to start *The Quincy Sun* and was trying to round up advertising support for it in advance. "I remembered the day I walked into South Shore Television and told Remo and Peter about my plans," Henry wrote. "I think Quincy should have another newspaper," Remo said. "Having just one newspaper in town isn't that good." Pete agreed. Remo then told Henry they would take the centerfold (for advertising) in the first issue. Pete and Remo continued running centerfolds and other full pages. "Remo and Pete played a major role in keeping the Sun from setting in those early weeks and months," Henry said. . . **Maureen Kennedy**, daughter of the late **Paul** and **Mary Kennedy**, earned a bachelor of science degree cum laude from Northeastern University. . . **Linda J. Ellis** of Quincy enrolled as a freshman at New England College in Henniker, N.H. . . **Eva Shea** and **Jodie Trafton**, seniors at North Quincy High School, were named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship program. . . **Kathleen M. Campbell**, daughter of **Joseph Campbell** of Quincy, was recently married to **Kenneth Burke**, son of **Dennis Burke**, also of Quincy. . . **Mr.** and **Mrs. Dennis Doherty** of Bridgewater, formerly of Quincy, are parents of a son, named **Dennis Walter Doherty II**, born Sept. 4 at Brockton Hospital. . . **Police Captain Paul Nestor** was commended by the City Council for his stability and leadership as acting police chief for six months before **Francis Mullen** was named permanent chief succeeding **Francis Finn** . . . **Former Mayor Francis McCauley** and **Carolann Speranzo**, a Quincy optician, planned to walk in the second annual Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk Oct. 13. . . **Lionel "Shine" Buckley** was re-elected president of the Quincy-North Quincy High School Football Hall of Fame. **Tom Kiley** was re-elected treasurer and **Dan Mahoney** was elected treasurer, succeeding **Nick Malvesti**. . . A study by the Massachusetts Association of Realtors showed that 42.5 percent of the condominiums and single-family homes on the market on the South Shore are priced at or below $150,000. . . **Lawrence Linskey**, son of **James Linskey Sr.**, of Quincy, completed the Federal Aviation Administration's nine-week air traffic controller basic course at the FAA Academy in Oklahoma City.

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Deeply Disappointed In Behavior Of Many At Meeting

I have just returned home from the meeting at Central Middle School which was held on Tuesday, Sept. 12. I am shaken up and truly disturbed by the behavior of many members of the audience. The meeting was planned so our city and state officials could tell the audience about the temporary shelter for migrant families at Eastern Nazarene College.

I was horrified by, ashamed of, and deeply disappointed in the behavior of so many audience members who were shouting over the speakers, chanting rude slogans, booing, and hissing. As I witnessed this rude and disgusting behavior, I thought about these desperate migrant families who faced horrible dangers to come to the United States, only wanting a better, safer life for their children. What Quincy resident doesn't want a better, safer life for their children?

I went to the meeting to listen and learn, and to possibly offer my help. It was sad to see how many audience members came with closed ears and hearts. I'm hopeful the group at Central was a small, loud minority, and as a community we can show our true colors and welcome these guests at ENC.

Linda Monaco
Quincy

Says Real Culprit Over Migrants Is Biden White House

Massachusetts is a "right to shelter" state which means if migrants from our southern border show up on our doors, we must find them shelter or be in violation of this state law. It is also the excuse that Democrats at the State House from Gov. Maura Healey all the way down now see themselves duty-bound to house this recent influx which will only continue to grow for the unforeseen future.

Here in the City of Quincy including Mayor Tom Koch were all blindsided by the governor's move to team up with Eastern Nazarene College to open up an empty dormitory building for the incoming crowd of homeless migrants. Why wouldn't the college agree to take in these folks since the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be paying handsomely for this dormitory space?

Of course, the lease price will be paid by the citizens of Quincy and statewide taxpayers, too. Healey doesn't look that worried about the negative impact on communities relieving the state of its burden. Cities and towns now are going to continue seeing migrant dumping as long as it lasts.

Recently, Quincy residents as many as 500 showed up at the Central Quincy Middle School to question both city and state officials. State officials are calling this shelter site a "Family Welcome Center." It sounds to me to be a page out of George Orwell's "1984" dystopian novel. You know where we speak the language of newspeak where words mean only what we say they mean. Why would state officials think that most Quincy residents would just welcome them with open arms, if they were kept in the dark about them coming there?

The real culprit here over incoming migrants is the Biden White House. This humanitarian crisis belongs to Biden and federal officials who opened up our borders to the whole world. Why wouldn't they come here and in huge numbers? Instead of fixing things, our elected leaders simply pushed this crisis onto the states which in turn pushed it onto cities and towns.

Why are Democrats across this nation giving cover to Biden Democrats pushing the local level to fix the problem they created. The mayor of Taunton says she will charge a daily fine on a hotel in her city that has taken in too many migrants well above the capacity of the hotel to house. That ain't going to happen since Beacon Hill is behind all these migrant hotels opening up statewide in the first place.

This migrant crisis metastasizing across states and local governments should not have been a surprise. If you open our national borders wide, they will come and in large numbers.

Things are only going to get worse as our politicians start looking up at the ceiling for answers that aren't there. Biden and his sycophants own this crisis lock, stock and barrel.

Sal Giarratani
East Boston

HN Garden Club News

The Houghs Neck Garden Club started this year with a Pot Luck Dinner at Michele Paige's home. In spite of the downpours, we had a great time with wonderful food and great conversations. Thanks to Michele for hosting it and those who braved the storm to attend.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 4th at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. Club member Rosie Hegg will present a slide show of her trip to Japan, what she saw both within and away from the garden there.

On Wednesday, Nov. 8th (note change of date) at 7 p.m., in the Community Center, speakers Mike and Angelina Chute will present "Six Simple Steps to Successful Rose Gardening." Their presentation will include tips and personal anecdotes from over 20 years of rose gardening.

On Dec. 6th there will be a Christmas Party at the Fox and Hound.

The Houghs Neck Garden Club is a member of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Arts & Entertainment

Fun, Educational Programs In October At MPL

By JEAN HLADY
Milton Public Library

During the month of October, the Milton Public Library is offering some fun and educational programs for adults and families.

For our ongoing events, the **MA Library Collaborative's Online 50+ Job Seekers Group** continues this month. This is a wonderful opportunity for people over 50 to network with others as they search for a new job or career, and it is all free. Each career topic is repeated twice per month, once in the morning and once in the evening.

This month's Wednesday dates and times are: Oct. 4 at 9:30 a.m. and Oct. 11 at 6 p.m. for "Resumes: The Basics" and Oct. 18 at 9:30 a.m. and Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. for "Resumes: Beyond the Basics." These Zoom sessions are facilitated by Deborah Hope who is an experienced executive career coach, who has worked with Harvard Business School's Executive Education Programs, the Mass. Conference for Women, and more. The MPL is partnering with 60 public libraries in MA for this series and please go to the Milton Public Library website to sign up in advance for each date which is required, and there you can also learn more about the series (www.miltonlibrary.org).

Questions: Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org.

Adult Yoga with Sheila Armstrong is scheduled this month on Tuesday, Oct. 3, starting at 7 p.m. in the Milton Public Library Keys Community Room. We will practice asanas (yoga poses) and breathing techniques to come into the present moment, and create more space in our minds and bodies. Sheila is a 200-hour registered yoga instructor and a certified Reiki healer. For more information about the class and to sign up in advance which is required, please go to the Milton Public Library website. Space is limited and registration started on Sept. 19th.

Also the **Cookbook Club** will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m., led by local chef Connie Spiros and Assistant Director Sara Truog. Calling all cooks! Each club meeting will feature a selected cookbook, and members will prepare a tasty treat from the book to bring to the MPL and share. The cookbook chosen for October is "One" by Jamie Oliver. In order to participate, please register at the library events calendar (www.miltonlibrary.org) as only registered cooks will be able to attend, and borrow a copy of the book from the library and choose a dish. Books are available at the Borrower Servies desk one month ahead and registration is open now. You will find the rest of the details about this program at www.miltonlibrary and bon appetit!

Our ongoing **Library Knitting Group** is an informal get together in the lower level Conference Room which offers and opportunity for people to bring a project to work on and have friends nearby to ask questions when they need help. Knitters and all other fiber artists are invited to attend and no signup is required. You can just drop in to attend, but if you would like to start receiving reminders via Email and get on the organizer's list, please Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org and she will make sure this happens. This month the meetings are Thursday, Oct. 5, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 14, at 10 a.m.

AUTHOR ANTHONY SAMMARCO returns to the Milton Public Library to give a fun and informative talk about his book called: "Halloween Traditions in Boston" on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m.

Also, host Jean Hlady has scheduled an in person **"Beginning Knitting Workshop"** with Jackie Stephenson of the Stitch House in Dorchester. This class requires advance registration and will be held on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 2-4 p.m. Advance registration is required to attend at the Milton Public Library website.

The **MPL Walking Club** will continue in October, happening on Thursdays, Oct. 5 and Oct. 19, to meet up in front of the MPL at 12 noon. Come join like-minded walkers to get some exercise and meet new friends in this hour-long program. Please sign up in advance at the Milton Public Library website to participate.

Our adult craft programs continue on Saturday, Oct. 7, at 2 p.m., in the Keys Community Room with an **"Adult Watercolor Program: Paint Pretty Autumn Leaves."** Do you enjoy painting with watercolor? If so, please sign up to join instructor Lisa Walker of Pop-Up Art School to learn how to create some lovely images of fall leaves using this medium. All the steps will be shown on the big screen This workshop is for participants aged 12 and up, and even if you have never tried painting before, it's very fun and we encourage you to try it! Your lovely picture can be displayed at home or given as a gift. Please sign up in advance at the Milton Public Library website, which is required, space is limited, and registration is open now. We hope to see you there!

Our **Monthly Film Series for Adults** is scheduled next for Oct. 11, starting at 6:30 p.m., in the Keys Community Room. This will be a free screening of the wonderful movie called **"Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret"** which is an adaptation of the acclaimed and highly influential novel of the same title from 1970. It is rated PG-13 for "sexual education/thematic material/some aggressive material" and is a touching (and surprisingly brilliant) portrait of the insecurities, awkwardness, and growing pains that forged our pre-teen childhood experiences – from writer/director Kelly Fremon Craig. It is one hour and 45 minutes long and is appropriate for age 13 and up because of the content. No sign-up is required to attend –and we hope you will join us for a very entertaining and comical movie in October.

Milton's own **Suzette Standring** will lead a program on Thursday, Oct. 12, at 6:30 p.m. called: **"Experience Energy Healing – Therapeutic Touch."** Curious about energy healing? There are many forms, such as Reiki, and in Boston hospitals, it's called "therapeutic touch." Ms. Standring, a Reiki channel, underwent cancer treatments and found energy healing to be vital in her recovery. Learn more about this event and please register in advance to attend at www.miltonlibrary.org Everyone in the audience will experience a group healing.

Author Anthony Sammarco will be back at the MPL to give a fun and informative talk about his book called: **"Halloween Traditions in Boston"** on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m. If you love history and all things spooky, come and join us for a fascinating look at why we celebrate Halloween and how the tradition has evolved over the years in our area. You will learn about the Salem Witchcraft Trials which caused such tremendous anxiety and fear, and the deaths of many innocent people in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1692 to the decorating of Beacon Hill as a veritable neighborhood of whimsy. For more details, please go to the Milton Public Library website and no advance registration is required. Just come and bring any Halloween fans or history buffs with you. We hope to see you there!

The Friends of the Milton Public Library are offering an author talk on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. with **Boston College Historian** and Milton resident **James O'Toole**. He will return to the MPL to present his book called: **"Ever to Excel: A History of Boston College"** (c2022). Dr. O'Toole will describe the transformation of B.C. from a small commuter undergraduate college to a comprehensive modern American university. This title focuses on the students, faculty, staff, and alumni who helped shape Boston College. Please help celebrate National Friends of the Library Week (Oct. 14-20) by joining us! There is no advance sign-up required – just come in person to our Keys Community Room.

And our final October event will be an in person food program on Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 6:30 PM called: **"Holiday Recipe Bonanza!"** with Therapy Gardens. Don't know what to cook this holiday season? We've got you covered in this event where you can come learn how to make a variety of holiday-themed recipes in this program geared to adults. You will learn about all kinds of fun cooking to inspire enjoyable meals in advance of the upcoming holiday season! From soups to seasonings to baked goods and candy, we have something for everyone. Small samples of holiday treats will be available, and everyone gets recipes to take home. We hope to see you there! Advance registration is required to attend as space is limited, so please do so at www.miltonlibrary.org, and sign-up opens on 10/3.

All of these events are kindly sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and are free and open to all. Questions? Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Dept. at (617) 898-4964.

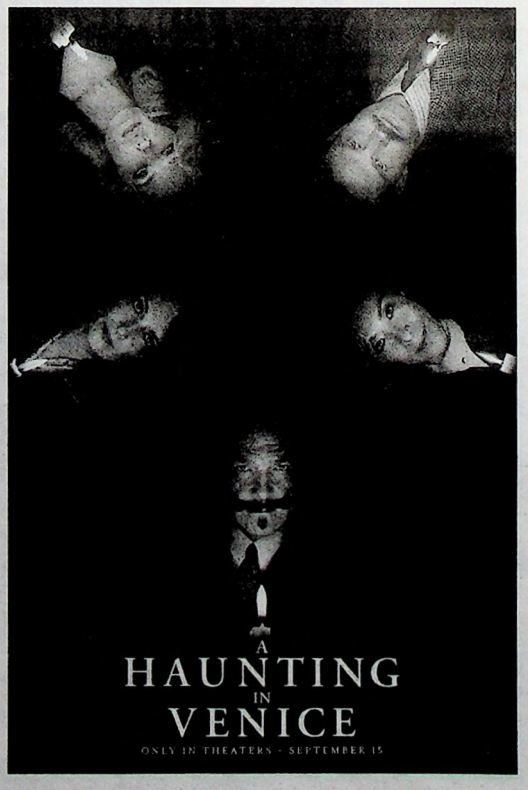
Movie Review: 'A Haunting In Venice'

By BOB GARVER

"A Haunting in Venice" is director/star Kenneth Branagh's third go-around as Agatha Christie-penned detective Hercule Poirot. The other two were 2017's "Murder on the Orient Express" and 2022's "Death on the Nile." "A Haunting in Venice" comes barely a year and a half after the latter film, though the turnaround is less impressive when one remembers that trailers for "Death on the Nile" were playing a year and a half before that film opened, with the release suffering numerous delays. Those delays may have turned out to be a blessing in disguise, because unlike the sequels I've reviewed the last two weeks, Branagh's Poirot is relatively fresh in my mind, and I'm more eager to step back into his world.

In fact, it's Poirot himself that is uneager to step back into the world of mystery and danger. Ten years have passed since the events of "Death on the Nile," and Poirot is retired, spending his days blowing off prospective clients with the help of his bodyguard Vitale (Riccardo Scamarcio) and only enjoying Venice for its pastries. For those keeping score, this version of Italy is slightly more appealing than the crime-ridden take of "Equalizer 3," but far less than the glorified travel brochure that was "Book Club: The Next Chapter."

Poirot's determination to not challenge himself is interrupted by Ariadne Oliver (Tina Fey, a very of-her-era actress that feels out of place in this 1947-set movie), a mystery novelist from America. She's about to do a book on psychic Joyce Reynolds (Michelle Yeoh), who has thus far evaded exposure as a fraud. Oliver wants Poirot to either figure Reynolds out or decide she's the real deal so the project can continue. Poirot, skeptic that he is of anything beyond this world, agrees to what he's sure will be a humiliating debunking for Reynolds.



That night, Halloween Night, Reynolds holds a sé-

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Christmas Parade Theme Contest Entries Due Oct. 6

The Christmas Festival Committee announces the theme contest for the Quincy Christmas Parade is now underway.

The Committee is seeking public nominations for the theme of the 70th annual parade which will be held on Sunday, Nov. 26th.

The parade theme plays a significant role in float preparation for the annual event and is an important step in planning each year's parade.

The contest is open to all, and the winner will receive a gift and be invited to ride in a vehicle in the parade on the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

All entries must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6.

Entries should be mailed to Christmas Festival Committee, One Merrymount Parkway, Quincy, MA 02170.

Movie Review: 'A Haunting In Venice'

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ance at the home of retired opera singer Rowena Drake (Kelly Reilly). Rowena's daughter Alicia was found drowned in a canal some time ago, and she thinks Reynolds can help her find closure. Poirot, Oliver, and Vitale attend the séance, as well as Rowena's housekeeper Olga (Camille Cottin), doctor Ferrier (Jamie Dornan) and his creepily mature son Leopold (Jude Hill), Reynolds' assistants Desdemona (Emma Laird) and Nicholas (Ali Khan), and in case things weren't tense enough, Alicia's ex-fiancé Maxime (Kyle Allen). During the séance, Reynolds, allegedly channeling Alicia, claims that she was murdered. A less ambiguous murder soon follows, and Poirot is on the case.

Like all Poirot mysteries, the night is full of twists and turns, with secret after secret coming to light and everybody having a chance to play the prime suspect. Unique to this one is the possibility of something supernatural going on. Poirot can swear that there's a little girl in the mansion that nobody else can see or hear. There has to be a logical/scientific explanation… unless there isn't?

Once "A Haunting in Venice" gets going, the excitement is consistent until the mystery is solved. All that's left for the viewer at that point is to deduce how smart they were at figuring things out. Were they right or wrong? And if they were wrong, was it because they missed something, or did the movie keep an important clue hidden until the last minute? Were the clues that were there too easy or too hard? Could only a world-class detective like Poirot have solved this mystery? For me, I thought it was a mix of all of these, which gives me mixed feelings on the movie overall. But I won't deny that the experience is a fun ride regardless of how you feel about the ending, or the mystery in retrospect.

Grade: B-

"A Haunting in Venice" is rated PG-13 for some strong violence, disturbing images and thematic elements. Its running time is 103 minutes.

BBB Tip: How Scammers Use Social Media Platforms

By BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

The introduction of social media has transformed how millions of people communicate with friends, family, strangers, and businesses. Unfortunately, it has also provided an outlet for fraud, scams, and unethical business practices to reach a broad audience.

Whether through social media marketplaces, sponsored advertisements, business or friend impersonation, or many other tactics, social media provides a direct-to-consumer contact method that scammers can use to carry out various schemes. While these platforms try to prevent bad actors from using them maliciously, there are countless challenges to identifying scammers and restricting their access.

The best defense against falling victim to fraud and scams originating from social media interactions is to understand how bad actors use the most popular platforms.

LinkedIn

As a social media network designed for business networking, fraud on this platform typically leverages professional messaging, employment opportunities, influencer marketing, and impersonation. Scammers know that having a LinkedIn profile enhances their credibility and will often create an account to match their claims of industry expertise. They often include false job histories with well-known companies, fake degrees or credentials, and other details designed to make them appear like experts in their field. This tactic is frequently used with cryptocurrency and investment scams to help the scammer seem like a legitimate, successful trader. A major goal for these scammers is to provide a false sense of security, and they will often ask for their targets to trust them, capitalizing on the "no risk, no reward" mentality.

Another popular tactic used on LinkedIn is fraudulent employment postings or positions. These job opportunities often advertise high-paying entry-level positions that require little to no experience, are 100% remote, and provide flexible working hours. Users should also be aware of fraudulent professional development courses, resume writing services, unrecognized industry certificates or credentials, and ineffective recruitment agencies.

Report LinkedIn scams to the platform to help prevent these tactics from being used.

Facebook (Meta)

As one of the most widely used social media platforms, scammers turn to Facebook to carry out a range of schemes. While some focus primarily on fraudulent purchases using Facebook Marketplace or community buy-and-sell groups, other scams rely on using compromised accounts to reach out to a network of friends and family. When an account is compromised, a scammer may use it to ask Facebook friends for money due to a fabricated emergency, provide a fake investment opportunity, or have them follow a link that will compromise their own

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WHAT'S COOKING with *Marie & Suzie*

By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO

Ursulla's Spinach Balls

By MARIE

My cousin, Ursulla, sent me this delicious recipe for Spinach Balls, which are very delicious and pair nicely with any pasta of your choice. I have recently shared this recipe with my niece, Jean, who prepared it for a dinner she was having and her guests raved. I hope you enjoy this recipe as we all have!

Prepare a deep cookie sheet or baking pan by lightly greasing well, heat oven to 350 degrees and bake the spinach balls for 20 to 25 minutes.

Ingredients and Directions:

2 10-ounce bags fresh spinach chopped
¾ cup melted butter
1 onion chopped
½ cup parmesan cheese
6 eggs
½ teaspoon garlic powder
½ teaspoon thyme
3 cups stuffing mix (she used Pepperidge Farm)
1 pound rotini (use any favorite pasta of your choice)
1 jar marinara sauce
1 small clove of garlic
1 small onion chopped
1 can crushed tomatoes

To make the sauce:
1 small garlic clove
1 small onion, chopped
1 jar marinara sauce – any type you usually use
1 can crushed tomatoes
2 tablespoons olive oil

In a skillet heat the oil, add the onion and garlic for a few minutes and then add the crushed tomato.

Simmer and stir for about 15 minutes and blend in the jar of marinara sauce, simmer for a few minutes until well blended.

In a large skillet add 1 or two tablespoons of water and spinach.

Cook until spinach is done and then drain.

Once spinach is drained finely chop.

Prepare stuffing mix according to directions on package.

In a large bowl, combine stuffing mix, cheese, beaten eggs, butter, garlic powder and thyme.

Once everything is mixed well, roll into small balls about the size of a ping pong ball.

Place on a prepared pan and bake at 350 degrees for about 25 minutes.

While baking, prepare pasta and heat up the sauce.

Once spinach balls are cooked, find your prettiest serving platter and put the pasta blended with sauce in the center of the platter and the spinach balls all around the platter.

This is a very nice presentation!

Pizza Omelet

By SUZIE

I don't know anyone who does not like pizza. LOVE is more like it. Here is a fun and healthy recipe that could be served for any meal along with a salad.

An estimated 94 % of Americans eat pizza regularly and the average American eats about 46 slices per year, with more than 3 billion pizzas sold per year. A funny statistic is that 36% of people consider pizza to be the "perfect breakfast." So here I am with my pizza omelet for you to try. The crust on this pizza is made with eggs which is a healthy twist and makes a great breakfast.

PIZZA OMELET

- 2 organic eggs, whisked with sea salt and pepper to taste along with a tablespoon of parmesan OR pecorino romano (made from sheep's milk) and ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon or so of olive oil to heat in the pan
- 2 tablespoons minced onion
- 2 tablespoons of minced red pepper (or mushrooms)
- ½ teaspoon dried basil
- ¼ teaspoon dried oregano
- 3 tablespoons or so of tomato sauce, or spaghetti sauce that is warmed

Coat a small skillet with olive oil and heat until very hot on medium heat. NOT high. Add herbs and onion/pepper/mushroom combo. Cook until fragrant. Now increase heat a bit and add in egg mixture.

Cook as you would a regular omelet by not disturbing it for about 30 seconds, then using your spatula lift edges of omelet up to allow the runny egg to go under and cook. Keep doing this until it is firm enough to flip over. Flip and cook a bit more until done and slide onto plate. Top with warm tomato sauce and serve with a little extra parmesan or romano cheese if you like. Enjoy!

NQHS Class Of 1978 Reunion Oct. 28

North Quincy High School, Class of 1978 announces plans for their 45th year class reunion.

Class officers Donna Chiampa and John McDonald invite alumni and their guest to attend the 45th class reunion on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Squantum Yacht Club, 646 Quincy Shore Dr., Quincy.

Tickets are $45 in advance and $55 cash at the door. Tickets can be purchased online at www.eventbrite.com/e/nqhs-78-class-reunion-tickets-7811850455?.

To purchase tickets by mail make check payable to: North Quincy High School, Class of 1978 and mail to: JM Productions, P.O. Box 2313, Quincy, MA 02269-2313.

For more information visit the NQHS Class of 1978 Facebook or Eventbrite pages or contact John McDonald at jfm@jmproductionspresents.com or 1-857-333-4199.

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Candidate Profiles - SCHOOL COMMITTEE - Nov. 7

Paul L. Bregoli

PAUL BREGOLI

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Municipal/Government/ Relevant Experience:

Quincy Public Schools – Teacher/Guidance Counselor 34 years

Quincy School Committee – 12 years; Vice-Chair 2 years

Quincy Park & Recreation Board – 12 years

Co-founder – Quincy Youth Soccer

Co-Founder – North Quincy H.S. Women's Hall of Fame

QPS High School Coach – Boys Soccer 8 years | Girls Soccer 20 years | Girls Basketball 14 years

Quincy Recreation Department – 1965 -present

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

There are two areas that I will continue to address if I am re-elected for a fourth term to the School Committee. The first is continuing to provide academic remediation to our students. COVID-19 caused our students to lose valuable class time, which, in some cases, resulted in a loss of two years of academic progress. Additionally, the mask mandates and school lockdowns robbed our children from acquiring social/emotional skills. These are two areas which cannot be addressed in a "one size fits all" approach. Rather, the district will focus on both short and long-term solutions to bring our students up to appropriate learning levels.

Learning loss over the past three years must continually be addressed. I will urge the School Committee to continue providing funding for expanded recovery programs for remediations. To date, we have funded $500,000. In addition, I will urge the continued funding of the summer enrichment programs, which, this past year served 1500 students as well as remediation for grades K-12. I will continue to monitor class size to better maximize our student learning.

In areas of academic needs, specifically ELA and Math, I have, and will continue to advocate for literacy and math interventions at all levels. The investment of 7,000 Chromebooks has addressed the technology disparity. I will press for 1500 more to be purchased for this school year. I also advocated for addressing internet hot spots so our students could access the internet for everything the Quincy Public Schools offers necessary for their success. ESSER funds were used to provide extensive summer programming, with appropriate accommodations, for our special education students.

There is no question COVID restrictions took, and continued to take, a toll on our students social/emotional well-being. Not being able to have face to face contact with their teachers and peers had a negative impact on many students. Depression, anxiety and, in some cases, suicidal ideations, were symptomatic of the struggles our children faced, and continue to face.

At all levels, efforts have and will continue to be made to support the emotional well-being of our students with approaches varying at all levels. The hiring of new adjustment counselors will assist in these efforts.

In the lower grades, circle time at the beginning of the day is taking place. Students are learning to identify their feelings, and then, how to express them. Speaking about their feelings to the appropriate adults will continue to help sort out their different emotions.

Self-reflection skills will continue to be taught to help students examine their lives to adopt and maintain healthy behaviors.

Understanding that social media is not the answer for all their needs is important. Teaching safe online behaviors and limiting screen time is critical. This is ongoing through middle and high school.

Also critical for normal development is learning how to manage changing emotions, particularly in our adolescents. Coping and stress management strategies and the ability to express these wants and needs

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Kathryn E. Hubley

KATHRYN HUBLEY

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Quincy School Committee member

Education: Bachelor of Science in Psychology; Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education with coursework in domestic violence; Director II Certification from the Department of Early Education and Care; NCBH Certificate in Youth Mental Health First Aid; FEMA Community Emergency Response Team Training

Municipal Government/Relevant Experience: Experienced Quincy Public School Parent

Foster Parent

Quincy School Committee

Veterans Council Liaison

Special Education Parent Advisory Council Member

Norfolk County Sheriff's Office Community Affairs Coordinator and Leader of the Substance Use & Mental Health Taskforce

PorchFest Quincy Founding Team Member

Houghs Neck ChowdaFest Volunteer

Quincy Pride Day Volunteer

Friends of the Kennedy Center Board Member

Boston Marathon Volunteer

Former Quincy City Parents' Council President

Former PTO President

Former Teacher of Preschool through Kindergarten.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

Safety and Security

Ensuring the safety and security of our students, staff, and the learning environment in Quincy Public Schools (QPS) is a year-round focus for the administration and the school committee. Feedback from teachers, staff, students, and families, combined with periodic security assessments, help inform the actions taken each year to proactively make improvements. A safety audit was recently completed and is currently in the safety and security subcommittee for review. This involves reviewing all building and grounds CCTV, door access control, and security protocols. Student safety is always a real concern.

A secure learning environment is essential for academic success. When students feel safe, they are more likely to engage in learning, develop positive relationships with teachers and peers, and thrive academically. Safety is not just a matter of physical protection; it is a foundation upon which quality education is built. Bringing on adjustment counselors was a great first step but more can be done to ensure students receive the help they need.

Addressing safety and security in our schools is fundamental to providing students with a supportive learning environment and promoting their well-being. It is a shared commitment to ensuring that our schools remain places of learning and growth.

Recovering Learning Loss and Teacher Professional Development

The pandemic has disrupted education for everyone, resulting in measurable learning loss among students nationwide. To bridge this gap and ensure that students can catch up on missed opportunities, the students need ample opportunities for additional learning experiences, tutoring, after-school enrichment, summer programs, and extracurricular activities.

Teacher professional development is pivotal for equipping educators with the necessary tools and strategies to effectively address learning loss. It empowers teachers to implement innovative teaching methods tailored to individual student needs, ensuring a targeted approach to learning. It equips them with the skills to provide social and emotional support and addresses the psychological toll of the pandemic on students and families.

Moreover, teacher professional development fosters collaboration among educators, allowing them to share best practices, collectively devise strategies to mitigate learning loss, and gain knowledge of new teaching techniques. It encourages a growth mindset, emphasizing continuous improvement and adaptability in the face of evolving

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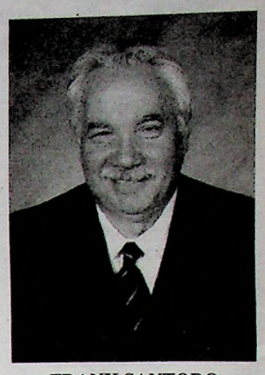
Frank Charles Santoro



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School Committee 1989, Vice Chair

Boston Public Schools 1972 – 1983, Teacher

Brookline Public Schools 1983 – 2000, Teacher, Administrator

Quincy Public Schools 2000 – 2013, Principal Central Middle School,

Principal Quincy High School

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

I have always stressed that the most important issue for those people who are in administrative education positions is to make sure that their students and staff are safe. Safety within our building structures and safety in our daily operations are number one concerns. That is why the school committee has considered the air our students and staff breath and staying ahead of possible structural problems of utmost importance. Building repair, new construction with Massachusetts School Building Authority reimbursements, and the continued due diligence of our city's Maintenance Department have kept our buildings safe. I look forward to continue that work with the MSBA as we build a new Squantum School and make repairs to Wollaston, Parker and Montclair Schools while we keep all our buildings the safest they can be.

Currently, we are assessing an outside study that identifies and makes recommendations to keep our buildings up to date with the most recent safety practices as well as purchasing the newest equipment that will enhance our current practices and safety protocols. The school system needs to practice the most updated strategies in accomplishing this goal. We most importantly need to provide state of the art technology and hardware to keep everyone safe.

Another concern is that many of our students are suffering mental, emotional, social and behavioral issues as we come through a most difficult four years.

This topic is undoubtedly a major pressing issue facing the Quincy Public Schools. Teachers are faced with the hardships of a growing number of students who are not classroom ready. The necessary demands put on teachers by administrators, IEPs, 504s and new curriculum practices create an unfair burden on today's teachers. If you add on the expectations of administrators to cure social, emotional and behavioral issues with limited support, today's teachers have an unachievable responsibility.

Resources are now needed to guarantee that teachers are successful as the children return to the classroom. QPS must assist its staff in providing the necessary resources in their pursuit of their academic teaching while we budget and make goals for the upcoming year.

Low student to teacher ratios and a specially trained staff must be available to assist regular education teachers with these students during the school day. Beyond the Special Education staff, personnel for students who lack social, emotional and behavior skills need to be available at all levels, elementary, middle and high school. It is hard for mainstream teachers to be behavioral specialists on top of being academic specialists.

A third priority is to work hard at making our staff more reflective of our student population.

This initiative needs to not only include our teaching staff but also our administrators and all the other employee titles within our school system. The hiring of our EDI Coordinator was only the initial step in accomplishing this goal. Supporting her initiatives is essential.

I have served on the Board of Directors for the Quincy Asian Resources Inc. organization for many years and am now its chairman. This position has allowed me to work closely with the Asian and immigrant community and provide the necessary resources for our new immigrant families. The next step is to get organizations like QARI to

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Courtney C. Perdios

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Occupation: Copy Editor at Boston University School of Public Health; Group Fitness Instructor at Northeast Health & Fitness (formerly Quincy Athletic Club) and Crunch Fitness (Braintree)

Education: Graduated from Stonehill College with a B.A. in English and Art in 2001

Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience:

Current: Massachusetts Gifted & Talented Advisory Council to DESE; Quincy High School PAC Co-Vice President; Point Webster PTO Treasurer; Central Middle School PTO Co-Treasurer; Citywide PTO Executive Board Member; Mom of 3 children, all in Quincy Public Schools

Former: Quincy School Committee Member (Feb. to Nov. 2021); Citywide PTO Co-President (2016-2021); Clifford Marshall PTO Co-President (2017-2021); QPS COVID Re-Entry Task Force (2020-2021); QPS Advanced Curriculum Team (2021); QPS Homework Policy Committee Member (2019); Quincy Environmental Network (QEN) Executive Board Member

Endorsed by: Quincy Education Association (Quincy's Teachers' Union), IBEW Local 2222, Tunnelworkers Local 88, Plumbers & Gasfitters Local 12, Iron Workers Local 7.

QUESTION: The most important issues that I will address if elected are…

I am excited and ready to continue working on important issues in our school system, including:

- Getting students back on track post-COVID
- Improving communication and transparency in our system
- Providing challenging opportunities for advanced students in younger grades
- Bringing 5th grade back to Clifford Marshall and Lincoln Hancock Elementary Schools
- Making special education services easier for families to find and access
- Investing in repairs and upgrades to our older school buildings
- Overseeing the opening of the DeCristofaro Special Education Learning Center and Squantum Elementary School.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . .

1) I have children currently in Quincy Public Schools. Right now, no one on our School Committee

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has children in our school system. Having a parent on the School Committee is vital to making sure the issues being discussed and the policies being put in place are relevant and impactful to today's students. The day-to-day interaction with the school system that a parent brings is critical to making sure the leadership of our school system stays connected to the experiences, needs, and challenges of our students, our families, and our teachers and staff. Having a current parent on the School Committee also ensures that residents' tax dollars aren't being wasted and are being spent on programs and personnel that are most needed right now.

2) I am a long-time community advocate and volunteer who gets things done. Some achievements that I'm most proud of include:

- leading the effort to stop the 2014 proposal to put 4th graders into South-West Middle School;
- asking for a review of security cameras inside school buildings and on school grounds;
- initiating a feasibility study for bringing 5th graders back to Clifford Marshall and Lincoln Hancock Elementary Schools;
- being an active member of the district-wide team that planned for and returned students safely back to in person learning post-COVID;
- bringing the Community Preservation Act (CPA) to Quincy in 2006, which has funded many projects across the city (including outdoor classrooms and school playground upgrades); and
- assisting in developing the first step of an advanced curriculum program at the early elementary level (REACH).

3) I am a strong independent voice that works tirelessly, researches issues fully, asks tough questions, and considers every perspective to make sure that our school system offers every single student the very best possible resources, supports, and educational opportunities.

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Liberty M. Schaaf

Name: Liberty Schaaf
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Occupation: Mother, Realtor, Property Manager, and volunteer

Education: Degree in Childhood Education and Business Management

Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience: Thomas Crane Public Library Board of Trustees, Harvey's Saltwater Fishing Club for Disabled Veterans. Former member of all levels of PTO, including President.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

The most important issue that I will address if elected to the school committee is the need for improved communication between teachers and parents. It's essential that parents are informed and engaged in their children's learning journey. Too often, parents are left in the dark about what their children are learning in school. I am committed to bridging this communication gap to ensure that parents have a clear understanding of their child's education.

My vision for our school district includes fostering a transparent and open line of communication between teachers, parents, and administrators. I believe that well-informed parents are better equipped to support their children's educational development. This means not only providing regular updates on curriculum and classroom activities but also creating opportunities for meaningful parent-teacher interactions.

Furthermore, I am deeply concerned about the content being taught in our schools. I am committed to ensuring that our students receive a well-rounded education that emphasizes academic knowledge and critical thinking. I will advocate for a curriculum that prioritizes academic excellence and does not promote any agendas that are not in line with our community's values.

Another crucial issue I will address is the availability of resources for students who require individualized learning approaches. As a mother with children who have varying educational needs, I understand the frustration and challenges that parents face when seeking the right support for their children. I will work tirelessly to expand resources and support systems for students who need a more tailored educational experience.

Lastly, as a parent in the QPS system, I believe I am

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well-positioned to represent the interests and concerns of parents on the school committee. Parental involvement is a cornerstone of a successful education system, and I will advocate for policies that encourage and facilitate parent participation in decision-making processes.

In conclusion, my candidacy is driven by a passion for improving education in our district through enhanced communication, a focus on academic excellence, and support for students with diverse learning needs. I am committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to create a school system that meets the needs of every student and ensures their success.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because:

Throughout my journey as a parent, I have had the privilege of serving on the PTO Boards for over 15 years. This role has offered me a front-row seat to the triumphs and challenges that our schools face, and it has ignited a passion within me to create positive change. I have seen how engaged parents, dedicated teachers, and proactive administrators can come together to shape an environment where every child thrives.

However, I recognize that there is always room for improvement. One of the core principles driving my candidacy is the need for enhanced communication between parents and our schools. As your representative, I am committed to fostering an environment where parents feel informed, engaged, and valued in their children's educational journey.

By leveraging my experiences as a former PTO president, a mother, and an advocate for education, I am ready to serve as your advocate on the Quincy School Committee. My unique perspective allows me to empathize with the concerns of fellow parents, understand the challenges faced by our

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Vincent Ho Tran

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Education: Sociology at Hamilton College

Relevant Experience: President of ACE NextGen Boston, former Board Member of the New England Intercollegiate Vietnamese Student Association, Mentor at Asian American Dream.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

The most important issue I will address if elected is ensuring that all students, regardless of their background, have clear visibility, support, and access to post-high school opportunities whether that means college or vocation. Every student, regardless of their roots or their household, deserves a straightforward, achievable path after high school. This might mean attending college, diving straight into the workforce, or perhaps picking up a trade.

I've walked the halls of Quincy schools - Beechwood Knoll, Central Middle School, and North Quincy High School. I've sat in those classrooms, interacted with our educators, and faced the challenges our students and parents see today. From this personal experience, I've seen the immense potential our schools offer. But I've also noticed some gaps.

While our schools lay a firm foundation, we're missing a bridge - a bridge that smoothly transitions our young adults from high school to whatever lies beyond. To mend this gap, I want to amplify the information flow about colleges, universities, and trade schools. Furthermore, job training programs and vocational opportunities should be as well-known to students as Quincy's annual Turkey Day Football Game.

First-generation students and students from homes that don't primarily speak English resonate deeply

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with me also. I too am a first-generation student who grew up in a home where English wasn't the primary language. I've navigated the nuances of our school system and deciphered the opportunities available post-high school. I know how challenging and stressful the journey can be for students and parents. My commitment is to provide them with the tangible resources and guidance they need to navigate this journey and make the process more approachable.

QUESTION: Voters should re-elect me to the office I seek because:

Voters should elect me to the School Committee because I am not just speaking from a theoretical standpoint. I am a product of Quincy schools, as are my other 3 siblings. My journey through the system as a first generation Asian American has given me an intimate understanding of its strengths and areas for improvement. Moreover, the youngest of my 3 siblings is currently an incoming freshman at North Quincy High School now. I have a direct line to the present-day experiences and challenges students and parents face. My goal isn't just to see my sister graduate, but for the entire Quincy student body to have a great experience and a clear path forward, with the tools they need to succeed in college or their chosen vocation. By supporting and voting for me, you're choosing a future where every Quincy student gets the best start in their post-high school life and beyond.

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must be implemented across the curriculum. This was nearly impossible during remote learning.

Skills to ensure personal safety are also important. Several years ago, I pushed for a comprehensive program to address dating violence. I am pleased to report that we have and will continue to have this as part of the curriculum, with DOVE playing an integral role in its success.

Lastly, for the second year in a row, the student lunch program is back, where every student will eat for free. This is something that is critical to our students' success and well-being, because a hungry child will not learn.

Again, there is no quick fix for what transpired during COVID. I promise, I will continue to advocate and fight for programs which will benefit our entire school system.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . .

Simply put, you should re-elect me to office because education has been my life's work. I earned degrees in Education and Counseling and spent 36 years in the field of education, 34 in Quincy. I served in this school system at all three levels: elementary, middle and high school. This has allowed me to acquire a broad range of knowledge from kindergarten to Grade 12.

While in the school system, I taught grades 4, 5 and 6. I finished my career as a guidance counselor and 766 Chairperson, spending time at the elementary, middle school and high school levels. This has helped me immensely in decision making while serving on the School Committee for the past 12 years.

As a 766 Chairperson, I worked closely with parents and students who required special education services. My knowledge of this law helped me to be certain the best educational services were provided to these students.

While in the school system, I got to know both students and parents on a personal level. I listened to parents and gained knowledge from them as to what they saw as their child's needs. It was a cooperative effort. My experience as a parent/grandparent and my background in education proved invaluable when interacting with both the students and the parents.

While in Quincy Public Schools, I coached boys and girls basketball as well as boys and girls soccer. This gave me a different perspective on how to interact with our students. They saw me not only as a coach, but as a teacher of values, discipline, teamwork, sportsmanship and work ethic. Working with them outside of the four walls of the school further enhanced my experience and knowledge of the students and their needs.

My involvement with children and parents goes beyond the school system. I began working on city playgrounds at age 17 with the Quincy Recreation Department. I have continued my involvement with them by directing summer clinics/camps in soccer, basketball and softball. In fact, this past summer included a week at the QREC softball clinic.

In addition, I am proud to say I, along with Bill Flynn and Jim Maguire, am a Co-Founder of Quincy Youth Soccer. This organization was begun in the late 1970s to help introduce the youth of our city to the sport. Since its humble beginnings, QYS has provided a venue for thousands upon thousands of children in the City of Quincy.

I am also the co-founder, with Simone Leary, of the North Quincy High School Women's Hall of Fame. I recognized the need to honor the women who participated in high school athletics. So, in the early 2000s, this organization was created. Shortly thereafter, Quincy High School initiated their Hall of Fame for Women.

Aesop once said, "When all is said and done, often more is said than done." I pride myself in knowing I have dedicated my life to serving the children and parents of the City of Quincy. During over 55 years of this service, I have gained the experience and knowledge necessary to make sound and impactful decisions while serving on the Quincy School Committee.

The culmination of my career in education would be the honor and priviledge of serving on the Quincy School Committee for another 4 years. I am asking for your vote on Nov. 7. Experience, leadership and common sense are vital in the next four years to continue building a great school system. I believe I have the most experience in education of any candidate. Thank you.

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educational challenges. By investing in teacher professional development, we invest in the academic success and well-being of our students, ensuring they have the opportunity to thrive despite the challenges posed by the pandemic.

Transportation

Transportation needs are very important to many QPS families. Electronic buses have emerged as a transformative solution to navigate the transportation hurdles that many schools face. However, their implementation also brings to light the critical need to attract more bus drivers, which is an issue across the state.

Electronic buses provide an environmentally conscious alternative to conventional buses. By reducing harmful emissions, they play a pivotal role in enhancing air quality. This not only benefits the environment but also directly impacts the health and well-being of students.

With substantial long-term cost savings, electronic buses offer the advantage of reducing operational and maintenance expenses. These savings can then be channeled towards supporting our professional bus drivers and addressing crucial needs within our school system.

We can also offer our special education students a quieter, and dependable transportation experience, electronic buses create an environment free from disruptive noise as students arrive at school. This, in turn, positively impacts their readiness to learn for many of our students.

Electronic buses are a sustainable solution to some of our school transportation challenges. Their eco-friendly nature, cost-efficiency, and impact on the educational experience make them an appealing component in addressing transportation challenges.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because:

My perspective as an experienced Quincy Public School Parent, a foster parent, international student guardian, teacher, and 12 years serving on the Quincy School Committee makes me uniquely qualified to serve the children and families of Quincy Public Schools.

My husband Walter and I bought his family home on Marion St. on Wollaston Hill in 1999 when we were first starting our family - where we still live today. We are the proud parents of Victoria who recently graduated from Leslie University, and Nathan who is in his senior year at Wentworth University.

Our daughter was born two months premature, and our son was born with severe hearing loss, requiring the use of hearing aids. Both of our children are doing wonderful today but they both encountered a lot of challenges along the way. It is critical to have a member of the school committee who truly understands what it is like to be a parent in an IEP meeting discussing your child's educational future.

I've been a dedicated volunteer since my children first enrolled in Quincy Public Schools back in 2004. As a parent, I have experience with Quincy Public Schools in every grade level starting with my children's first day of Preschool on through high school graduation and navigating into college. Through those years I worked hard to support other families as president of the Wollaston School PTO, President of the Quincy Citywide Parents' Council, and as a member of the Quincy School Committee. It is important to have a member of the school committee with a recent understanding of the parent's perspective across all grade levels.

Prior to starting a family, I worked as a teacher of Preschool through Kindergarten for nine years and hold a Director II Certification from the Department of Early Education and Care. This perspective is particularly valuable to the Quincy School Committee as cities and towns across Massachusetts consider pathways to providing much needed universal Pre-K.

During the pandemic, my husband and I made the decision to become foster parents, as we did years ago when first starting our family. We currently serve as foster parents providing emergency, short-term, and long-term care placements for children whose families are facing challenging times. Families in our community face a combination of complex issues, including substance abuse, social and emotional challenges, as well as housing and food insecurity. It is of utmost importance for the children in our community to have a safe and nurturing home environment while their families navigate these extremely challenging circumstances. This experience provides a valuable perspective in support of families facing difficult challenges as they work towards reuni-

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initiate programs that invite a diverse population of people to choose education as a field of study. Partnerships with Quincy College are currently introducing programs that promote acquiring degrees for immigrants.

It is most important for our students to see images of themselves in who is teaching them, who their administrators are and what material they are learning.

QUESTION: Voters should re-elect me to the office I seek because I am no stranger to public education. I am eager and excited to be involved in the city's school system once again.

I served on the school committee in the late 1980s as vice chairman and just completed another four year term including another vice chair position. My public education experience included 42 years of service as a teacher and administrator in Boston, Brookline and Quincy. Administrative assignments included principal of Central Middle School and principal of Quincy High School. I am seeking a seat on the committee because I want to continue to serve the city in public education and contribute my knowledge in making sure that Quincy's children get the best education that they can within a budget that our city can afford.

My wife Linda and I, our two children, Lori and Michael all attended the Quincy Public Schools from kindergarten through high school. Two of my grandsons Joe and Andrew also attended Quincy Public Schools.

I have been recognized for assisting in the design of the new award-winning Quincy High and currently sit on the new Squantum School Planning Team. I am a past recipient of the Richard Koch Youth Service Award. I am also the recipient of the Quincy Asian Resources Visionary Award and currently sit as the chairman of the organization's board of directors. Other accomplishments include Educational Consultant for Boston 25 News and college instructor for administrators on "School Safety and Climate". Additional civic service includes the City of Quincy's Park and Recreation Board, President of the City-wide Parent Council, President of the North Quincy High School Basketball Hall of Fame, Vice-President of the Quincy Art Association, Co-Chair of the Culture, Art, and History Pillar of "Quincy 400" and the Board of Governors for Quincy College. I am listed in Jack Encarnaco's publication, "Legendary Locals of Quincy".

My experience in public education has allowed me to see how things should and shouldn't be done. My board affiliations allow me to create positive partnerships with the school system.

I am honored to have served with the current school committee as we guided the school system through the most difficult time in history these past four years. The city has been ranked as a leading city in New England and in the country. Our public school system is a major contributor to that regional and national recognition.

The City of Quincy should be proud of the education that our children are receiving. The entire staff works hard at providing the opportunities that are there for our students to obtain acceptances into the best colleges, prepare them for rewarding occupations and to be productive citizens.

Education is Quincy's number one resource and it has a direct impact on the city's property values. However, I feel that we should not rest on our accomplishments. I stress the importance of moving forward with the goals we establish to keep us nationally ranked and ones that keep us within the budget that the city has allotted to us.

It was John Quincy Adams' belief that as payment for the debt for what the proceeding generation has given to you, you should give to the next generation. That is my goal as I seek another term on the school committee. Cast one of your three votes for Frank Santoro.

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Candidate Profiles - WARD 2 COUNCILLOR - Nov. 7

Anthony J. Andronico

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Education: B.A. American Government & Economics, Emmanuel College (Boston)

Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience:

- School Committee Member (Jan. 2018 – Jan. 2021)
- Ward Two Councillor (Jan. 2021 – Present)
- Communications Director, Massachusetts State Senate (March 2018 – August 2023)
- Operations Manager, Massachusetts Association of School Committees (August 2023 – Present)

Member of: Penn's Hill Neighborhood Association, Ward Two Civic Association, American Legion Post 95, Friends of Faxon Park, Torre Dei Passeri.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

Fiscal Discipline & Responsible Spending: Quincy is a great place to call home, and because of this we've seen a massive boom in development as more people seek to become Quincy residents themselves. However, this has played a role in driving up property valuations and causing many longtime residents to feel the squeeze on their property taxes. To help ease your tax burden, I cosponsored an ordinance which seeks to implement a "Residential Property Tax Exemption" that would allow longtime owner-occupied homes to see an up to 35% reduction in their property taxes. While implementation from one fiscal year to the next would create budgetary concerns, if phased in incrementally year-over-year the exemption becomes more feasible.

In addition, I was proud to have written and passed a resolution calling on the Administration to provide an accounting to the council on how the nearly $50 million in federal COVID-19 relief funding was allocated and for the Administration to solicit public input in how any remaining funds should be allocated within the community.

I know that when making financial decisions at City Hall that every dollar makes a difference for our residents.

Street and Sidewalk Repair: Our city's infrastructure is the backbone of our

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community, facilitating our daily lives and economic growth. I have consistently heard from constituents about the state of our roads and sidewalks. In 2021, I had the privilege of advocating for and voting in favor of a plan to invest in our infrastructure over the proceeding five years. In Ward 2, this meant a significant improvement of 33,000 feet of road repair, and 19 water main replacements, contributing to safer and smoother travel for all. If re-elected, I will continue to prioritize infrastructure investment by seeking out further funding opportunities, to ensure that all our community's infrastructure needs are met.

Community Upkeep: A vibrant and well-maintained community is essential for fostering a sense of pride and belonging among our residents. Neglected public spaces, litter, and blighted properties can contribute to a decline in community spirit. During my tenure, I have been proud to champion projects and initiatives to continue to build on the progress we've made. This has included safety enhancements at the Fore River Clubhouse, amenity upgrades at Faxon Park with more on the way, and a planned municipal broadband internet pilot program for Quincy Point. Additionally, I've been proud to work with all city departments and my constituents to address issues related to blighted properties, rodent infestations, park cleanup, public safety, education, permanent housing, zoning/development, and more.

Constituent Services: Effective and accessible constituent services are the foundation of responsive governance. I am deeply concerned about the challenges residents face when navigating city bureaucracy, seeking information, or voicing their concerns. When I was first sworn in as the Councillor, I established an online office where neighbors could submit assistance requests and learn more about our local government services. Since then, I've launched a mailed quarterly newsletter, regularly hold community meetings on specific neighborhood issues, and continue to post information on social media to keep folks informed. By actively listening and responding to the voices of our community, we can ensure that policies and decisions truly reflect the interests of those we serve.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . .

My experience in State and Local Government has been invaluable when it comes to carrying out the responsibilities of a City Councillor. Shortly after I graduated college, I made the decision to give my career to public service instead of pursuing lucrative private sector opportunities.

At just 23 years old, I ran for School Committee and earned a seat on the committee. Simultaneously, I secured full-time employment at the State House as a Communications Director in the State Senate where I proudly served for more than five years before recently moving to a new opportunity with the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

These experiences in government and public service have informed every aspect of my approach to serving as your Ward Two Councillor. I've placed transparency, accountability, and community engagement at the forefront of my approach and have delivered tangible results for our community. Since being sworn-in as your Councillor in January of 2021, I am proud to have:

- Advocated for and passed an infrastructure plan to repave 33,000 ft. of Ward 2 roadways over 5 years;
- Worked alongside the Parks Department to reenergize Faxon Park while maintaining the natural beauty of the area;
- Guided the structural and cosmetic improvements at the Fore River Club House, revitalizing the 100+ year old building;
- Supported a Residential Property Tax Exemption to put more money in the pockets of those who call Quincy home;
- Cosponsored a resolve seeking a citywide review of our zoning codes so residents can have a greater say in development within their neighborhood;
- Pushed for pedestrian and vehicle safety improvements throughout the district, including flashing crosswalk beacons, speed signs, and other traffic calming measures.

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Richard C. Ash

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Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience:

- Ward 2 Civic Association, President (2021-2023), Active Member (2018-2021)
- Quincy Chamber of Commerce, Ambassador
- Quincy Dems, Ward 2 Chair, 2021 "COVID Hero" Award Recipient
- Quincy Pride, President
- Norfolk County Bar Association, Council Member
- Justice of the Peace and Notary Public

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

Senior Safety: Ward 2 has the largest number of seniors, many in their own homes, and many in apartment complexes (1000 Southern Artery, Pagnano/Sawyer Towers, Louis George Village). Making sure our seniors are safe is my number one priority, and has been for as long as I can remember. Growing up very close to all of my grandparents, I know and deeply understand the unique challenges our seniors face, and will work tirelessly to advocate for and protect them.

I was named a 2021 Quincy Dems "COVID Hero" for my efforts to ensure all seniors in my neighborhood had groceries, medications and necessities at the height of the pandemic.

I was contacted in January by the 1000 Southern Artery Tenants Organization regarding safety concerns that I worked diligently to address with the management company and property owner. I am uniquely positioned with knowledge of the building, the people, and relevant legal principles - as I would be with the majority of projects or issues facing the Ward. I received assurances of major capital improvements (security cameras, key fob systems, parking lot repairs) that are long overdue and will help the residents, their loved ones, and myself, sleep better at night. My first priority is to make sure these tasks are completed (a start date is being set with contractors), and the seniors are safe and happy. Secondly, a priority is to bring full senior programming back to the Fore River Clubhouse.

Smart Development: De-

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velopment in the city is at an all time high, and many residents are concerned and frustrated. It is critical to make certain that the city is employing principles of "smart development," and considering the unique needs of each individual neighborhood. A thorough review of the Zoning Code is necessary, as is a residential tax credit.

One of my main goals is to rehabilitate Washington Street and bring in new, good businesses. As the entryway to Quincy from the South Shore, Washington Street should reflect our great City. Modernizing and beautifying this corridor is long overdue, and I plan to make this happen. My active role in the Quincy Chamber of Commerce facilitates a great deal of the ideas and relationships necessary. I know residents don't want to see apartments up and down Washington Street and will do everything in my power to make sure their voices are heard. I personally find business condominiums a positive way to protect interests of our neighborhoods, and small business owners. I also plan to stress the protection of our environment with gas reduction and energy conservation.

I vow to work collaboratively and purposefully with everyone involved as early and as often as possible to make sure everyone in the Ward knows about important projects near and dear to their hearts.

Promoting green spaces is imperative. Through the Ward 2 Civic Association, I have been able to maintain and update the Quincy Point Beaches with exciting and helpful new amenities. Faxon Park's rehabilitation should have been completed long ago (the funds have been available), as is the same with respect to the Fore River Clubhouse. I understand there may be delays, but we absolutely cannot let prime locations in our Ward be forgotten about. I would make sure these projects are prioritized and that clear timelines are regularly established, communicated, and followed through with fidelity.

Community Engagement:

Promoting our diversity, and planning dynamic social events that bring people together and allow all residents the opportunity to get to know one another will go a long way in adding to our pride and improving our quality of life.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . .

I know I am the best person to connect the past, present, and the future of the City of Presidents. I promise, there is no one who knows the people, places, and/or issues in this Ward like I do. I have unmatched passion, skill, and a proven track record of advocacy.

I have lived in Quincy Point my entire life. My late grandmother, Chickie Abdallah, is synonymous with Quincy Point and spent just shy of 60 years advocating for the neighborhood on different City boards and committees. I feel an innate responsibility, and joy, carrying on some of those qualities. Since 2018, I have owned a multi-family home on Mound Street (my Mom, Abby, and Aunt, Tina, live downstairs) in an effort to keep my family in Quincy and not be priced out. The neighborhood landmarks are not just "historic" in the traditional sense of the word, but they house my childhood memories and have shaped the man I am. I hold these residents near and dear to my heart, and have and will continue to treat each constituent as I do my friends and family.

I offer the highest level of representation, advocacy and communication to my clients, and to this Ward, already. These skills are imperative to a City Councilor, and should be non-negotiable when it comes to the representation and elected leadership of Ward 2. As an attorney for a well-respected Quincy law firm, I vigorously represent my clients during some of the most challenging times in their lives. In doing so, I make myself available at any time. I would provide the constituents of Ward 2 with the same advocacy and access. My legal skill set and knowledge of municipal proceedings truly sets me apart.

I plan to write and share substantive, complete monthly newsletters to keep residents in the know when it comes to Ward happenings. I have found people are less likely to be surprised or frustrated by a situation when they are made

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Occupation: Carpenter/ Bartender
Education: Xaverian Brothers High School Westwood, Northeastern University Boston, and Northeastern Construction Certificate Program Dedham Campus
Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience: Quincy City Councillor Ward 4

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

1) Mass TOD "Transit Oriented Development." I am concerned about large developers coming in and taking over the area around the Quincy Adams T Station. Quincy is considered a "Rapid Transit Area" which means that we must adopt a new zoning law, this requirement is in Section 3A of MGL c. 40A:, by December 31, 2023. Basically, there will be By-right zoning that can potentially limit community input. I will continue to work with our neighbors and Quincy Department of Planning and Development to help control and influence the best future for Ward 4.

2) Traffic and speeding through our neighborhoods are a big concern. I have been working closely with our Traffic Department, Community police officer, and the new Chief of Police. Over the past six months traffic studies have been completed in the Bates and Grove Street area. Digital speed signs have been posted on Bates Avenue and one is scheduled to be installed on West Street. In South Quincy we have added street markings to enhance the visibility of stop signs. We have upgraded the pedestrian crossing by Dairy Freeze on Adams Street and requested a flashing pedestrian sign at Furnace Brook and Readon Street with the State. The police department and I are working hard to isolate hot spots and patrol these areas. The list is too long to continue. I will continue to monitor and work with all these departments to keep Ward 4 safer.

3) The biggest issue to Ward 4 is the smallest. All

JAMES DEVINE

the "day in and day out" situations that our neighbors have that only affect them. These issues can be as simple as an abandoned pool with stagnant water causing a mosquito infestation to three or four homes. 11,000 other Ward 4 neighbors don't care but to the dozen people dealing with it, it is their biggest concern. The neighbors that watch people race through Bates Street to Grove Street to Upton Street, with no regard to our children, bicyclists, walkers, and school buses. This is the biggest issue to these neighbors. A catch basin that is blocked on a dead-end street and only affects two houses. No one cares except myself and the nice neighbor that has lived there for 50 years, who called me to help. That was her biggest issue in Ward 4. What I will do is continue to answer these calls and deal with them as fast as possible.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . . for the last 12 months I have:

1) been campaigning through the fall and winter trying to reach as many neighbors as possible. While doing this I have forged relationships with so many people in all the neighborhoods and streets of Ward 4. In this short time, I have covered every single little area of Ward 4, when a neighbor calls or texts with concerns, I now have a unique ability to know exactly where and who is being affected.

2) Last February I was elected to represent Ward 4. Since that time I have created strong relationships with Quincy Health Department, Parks, Inspectional Services, Planning, Zoning, Traffic, Public Works, Fire Department, Police Department, Veterans Services, and more. I think I just have not met the Harbormaster, probably because Furnace Brook is too shallow to navigate. All our services and departments are extremely efficient and when I reach out with neighbors' issues, the city takes care of them. Some people say Ward 4 gets the bottom of the barrel, maybe that was so six months ago. It was not because our city was failing us, it was because we were not letting the city know what we need and want.

I have quickly learned that all you need to do is ask. If a mattress is illegally dumped, it's one phone call and the city responds, a street has a lot of trash, one phone call and the street sweepers are deployed. The city has been working hard for Ward 4 and now with my voice, not just in City Hall, but also at 55 Sea Street and One Merrymount Parkway, Ward 4 is going to make Merrymount jealous.

3) I have been sitting on people's porches and standing in their doorways listening. I have been working tirelessly to learn all the needs of our neighbors. I am not infallible; (recently) I sat on a neighbor's porch and listened as he let me know I had never responded to his phone calls. His wife politely tried to encourage her husband not to reprimand me. I smiled at his wife and said, "it's ok, I did fail you both." I sat down with this gentleman and had a few great conversations. I left that porch a wiser person.

I pride myself on responding to everyone and quickly. On a different day I approached a neighbor in his driveway. As I walked towards him, he said, "What are you doing", I responded "I am Jimmy Devine your Ward 4 Councillor," the neighbor said, "I know that but I have never seen a Councillor come back to check on me." I know I haven't met a lot of people even once, and some people I have met half a dozen times. I am out there working for us, reach out any time, I am available at your convenience, time and place of your choice. Ward 4 Councillor James Devine 617-834-3945, jdevine@quincyma.gov.

Matthew J. Lyons

Name: Matthew J. Lyons
Age: 59
Address: 177D Centre St., #405
Occupation: Verizon – Splice Technician, 36 years
Education: Newman School, 1983; Northeastern University
Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience: Legislative Director, IBEW 2222; Trustee, Norfolk County Labor Council; Executive Board, Greater Boston Labor Council

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

One of the great issues dividing our city is the issue of overdevelopment in residential areas. I believe that new construction needs to be done in a responsible and cooperative manner with the neighborhoods. It would be difficult to find a neighborhood in our City that does not possess at lease one historical building within its boundaries, and we need to be cognizant of the historic values of our neighborhoods while moving forward.

Increasingly, the streets of our neighborhoods have become shortcuts and cut-throughs. While this is a nuisance for all, it is – more importantly – becoming a real danger to the lives and

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quality of life of our citizens, as cars dart in and out not knowing the melody of our neighborhoods. This congestion poses a clear and present danger to first responders in their duties to keep us safe. We need to work as a community to find solutions.

The greatest issue that faces Ward 4 right now – as well as the City as a whole – is the 99-year lease request from the Quarry Hills Association. It is incumbent upon our City leaders to ensure that any negotiation with regard to this matter be 100% transparent, with the best interest of the community large in the forefront, but most importantly, be made with the input and consideration of the residents of Ward 4, as the implications of this major developmental proposal will effect them for generations to come. It is equally important that the residents of Ward 4 have someone on the City Council representing them during these negotiations.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . .

My ancestral roots run deep in Ward 4 – indeed, I am the 4th generation of my family to live here. I am passionate about the history of my family and the City of Quincy, and it is my greatest hope to honor my ancestors by being elected to the City Council and helping to secure the future of generations to come in our great City. I have a proven track record during my 36-year history as a labor leader of fighting for working families. Perhaps the most important negotiation that will take place in the next year will be the 99-year Lease at the Granite Links. The incumbent councilman has recused himself from these negotiations and will not be able to represent our neighborhoods, as he holds a part-time position at Granite Links that prohibits him from representing our Ward in any negotiations between the City and the developers. I am the only candidate that will be able to represent our ward and the future of generations of our families while this lease is being negotiated.

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Candidate Profiles - SCHOOL COMMITTEE - Nov. 7

Courtney C. Perdios

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To learn more about me, please contact me at 508-944-3990 or courtneyperdios@yahoo.com, or visit my website (www.courtneyperdios.com).

I respectfully ask for your vote for School Committee on Tuesday, Nov. 7th.

Liberty M. Schaaf

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teachers, and appreciate the complexities of our educational system.

I am committed to being a strong voice for our community, listening to your concerns, channeling your voices, and making decisions that reflect the best interests of our students. My dedication to ensuring the success and well-being of every child in our district is unwavering. Together, we can work towards building a school system that not only meets the needs of our students today but also prepares them for a brighter tomorrow.

Thank you for considering me for this important role.

Kathryn E. Hubley

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fication.

In addition to foster care, my family is hosting a high school student from Hong Kong, China for the next three years. She is participating in an innovative program that helps students from underserved communities in China stay in school and advance their education through participation in athletics. Through this experience I am learning about the challenges and how to better support our immigrating population.

My commitment is to ensure that our students have the highest caliber teachers in the classrooms and receive an equitable educational experience across all schools while embracing each school's unique qualities. Experience matters, and I respectfully ask the voters of Quincy for their continued trust and partnership in making Quincy Public Schools the best they can be for all students.

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U.S. Service Academies Info Session Oct. 1

Cong. Stephen F. Lynch will host an information session at Braintree Town Hall Sunday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon for all high school students interested in applying to one of the U.S. Service Academies. All students and their families are welcome to attend.

Representatives from each of the following academies will make brief presentations and be available for questions:

U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY; U.S Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD; U.S Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, CO; U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY; U.S. Coast Guard Academy at New London, CT; Massachusetts Maritime Academy at Buzzards Bay, MA.

The information session will take place in the Cahill Auditorium in Braintree Town Hall, 1 JFK Memorial Dr., Braintree.

Candidate Profiles - WARD 6 COUNCILLOR - Nov. 7

William P. Harris

Name: William P. Harris
Age: 62
Address: 74 Ashworth Rd.
Present Occupation: Clerk (State of Massachusetts); Past Occupation: Retired after 35 years. Senior Management, United States Postal Service
Education: Attended Quincy Jr. College; USPS Mandatory Managerial Courses
Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience:

Ward 6 Quincy City Councillor from April 5, 2016 to Present Day; 7 years 5 months.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

My continued focus is working to protect the residential neighborhoods in Ward 6 as well as the whole City of Quincy. One of the biggest challenges during my seven plus years on the City Council has been standing up to the City of Boston from an irresponsible plan to rebuild the Long Island Bridge, in order to open a Regional Recovery Center. The City of Boston's lack of transparency on actual programs to be placed on Long Island has caused growing concerns, especially after Boston's former Mayor, Martin Walsh, declared Long Island an Economic Opportunity Zone. What does that exactly mean? It means Federal Tax breaks for private developers on Long Island. A Recovery Center and Private Development adds up to one thing, unimaginable traffic problems, the likes we have never experienced, and the

WILLIAM HARRIS

fact Boston refuses to consider using ferries to transport patients and staff to the Island only proves Boston is being disingenuous with its true intentions.

Another issue affecting our neighborhoods, I am committed to monitor and assist Inspectional Services, is illegal short-term rentals across Ward 6 and throughout Quincy, because several of the ones we have are very problematic. Even when operating within the city guidelines, these businesses disrupt the routine of a neighborhood – unfamiliar cars, strangers, activity going on around the clock. Running a commercial business in our residential neighborhoods is not what homeowners in Ward 6, as well as other neighborhoods across Quincy, bought into. Residentially zoned properties were never meant to act as temporary lodging for short-term guests.

Another exciting issue that is coming closer to reality everyday is the new Squantum Elementary School. This new state of the art facility will be an important part of the education of the children of Ward 6. Oversight of this project with Community input will be an important issue for the Ward 6 City Councillor moving forward, which I would be proud to assure its success. A new school is long overdue.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . .

For the last 7 plus years I have served as Ward 6 City Councillor, and during that time many of our streets and sidewalks have been done over, with more scheduled in future days.

I worked directly with neighbors and condo associations to bring new and expanded city services to Marina Bay, North Quincy and Squantum. Whether it was bringing snow plowing to major roads in Marina Bay and trying to find locations to provide for snow farms for snow removal during some of our harshest winters to help defer costs to condo association fees or to assisting residents with handicapped signage or traffic signage on our cut through streets because of unruly commuters speeding recklessly with no regards for everyone's public safety.

I also advocated for the improvement of vital services for our Seniors and supported needs to help maintain a strong school system.

I also supported a drive for major improvements to our beaches and parks, as well as stood up for our neighborhoods to protect my constituents' quality of Life from illegal short term rental properties or a proposed bridge to nowhere.

I have fought for Ward 6 since the day I was sworn into office and I humbly ask for your vote on Nov. 7th so I can continue to fight for you.

Deborah A. Riley

Name: Deborah Riley
Age: 58
Address: 9 Landgrane St.
Occupation: Realtor
Education: Bachelor of Science, UMass Lowell, majoring in Business with a concentration in Information Systems.
Municipal/Government/Relevant Experience: This is my first candidacy for public office but I have been self-employed for 16 years and prior to that held a technology job at Fidelity Investments for 10 years.

QUESTION: The most important issue or issues that I will address if elected is (are):

We need our City Council to engage in transparent, effective decision making that delivers tangible benefits to our citizens and ensures that every dollar is spent efficiently and effectively. Specifically, I support a residential property tax credit for owner occupants which reduces the tax burden on our residents while promoting owner occupancy. I would require adherence to the 10% affordable mandate in new construction and ex-

DEBORAH RILEY

pand assistance for first time home buyers and low-to-moderate income renters. As a Realtor, I believe that protecting private property rights is a top priority and therefore, I have deep concerns about land-takings, friendly or otherwise which have become more common in recent years.

Our residents need improved transit options including reliable, permanent, year-round ferry service from Squantum Point Park. We need zoning reform that doesn't overburden the volunteer zoning board and concerned residents with excessive continuances. I propose a "3 strikes" rule whereby no single project would be able to appear on the zoning board agenda more than three times. I also believe that if we adhere to the parking and "green space" requirements then relief from other ordinances would be met with far less resistance. We need a 24/7 urgent care facility within the city limits and I support ferry service to Long Island as the quickest and most cost effective option for getting help to those who so desperately need it.

QUESTION: Voters should elect me to the office I seek because . . . .

I am offering voters a choice for Ward 6 in the 2023 election. I will bring renewed energy, a fresh voice, and an open mind to the city council. I commit to representing the residents of North Quincy, Marina Bay and Squantum, each a community of their own with differing needs and concerns. I will improve communication to residents with timely and relevant information that affects our neighborhoods. I will be a visible and accessible representative for the community. I look forward to having the opportunity to help bring some of these priorities before the city council.

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Quincy Democratic City Committee To Host Candidates Night Thursday

7 To 9 P.M. Central Middle School Auditorium

The Quincy Democratic City Committee will host a City-Wide Candidates Night on Thursday, Sept. 28th in the Central Middle School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., forum begins at 7 p.m.

"Our desire is to provide the citizens of Quincy an opportunity to hear directly from the individuals who wish to represent them as mayor and as members of the City Council and School Committee," said Alicia Gardner, City-Wide Chair of the Quincy Democratic City Committee.

"The City of Quincy elections are non-partisan, and this election is important as to who will be representing us," Gardner said. "Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 7th and I believe that the residents that attend this forum will come away with a good understanding of each of the candidates as they prepare to vote.

"Speaking of voting, other important dates on the election calendar to remember are, the last day to register to vote is Saturday, Oct. 28th at the City Clerk's Election Dept. and early voting begins on Saturday, Oct. 28th with the last day to apply for a Vote by Mail ballot at the City Clerk's Election Dept. is Tuesday, Oct. 31st," Gardner added.

All candidates for mayor, ward councillor, councillor-at large and school committee have been asked to participate in a moderated question and answer style format.

Quincy Access Television will be broadcasting the event. Check www.qatv.org for broadcast times.

For more information regarding the Quincy Democratic City Committee, contact Committee City-Wide Chair Alicia Gardner by email at alicia.gardner6@gmail.com.

Candidate Profiles - WARD 2 COUNCILLOR - Nov. 7

Anthony J. Andronico

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• Called for public input into how more than $50 million federal COVID-19 relief funds are spent by the Administration;

• Passed a resolution demanding the closure of the Weymouth Compressor Station after multiple unplanned gas releases; and

• Ensured Quincy Point be selected as one of just two pilot neighborhoods for municipal broadband beginning in late 2023

Above all else, I am proud to have been able to connect residents to local services – from getting overgrown trees trimmed and sidewalks repaired, to implementing more sensible neighborhood parking regulations and navigating government bureaucracy. While these issues may not make the headlines, they have always made the biggest impact on the quality of life for my constituents.

Serving as your Ward Two Councillor is an incredible honor and one that I do not take for granted. My great-grandparents emigrated from Italy over 100 years ago, settled down in Quincy Point, and worked hard to make a better life for their family. As your Councillor, my sole focus has been to advocate for all families in our community so they may be afforded the same opportunities to succeed that mine was. We have more work to do to make Quincy Point, Penn's Hill, and everywhere in between an even better place to call home, and I ask for your vote so we may continue our work together.

Richard C. Ash

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aware of all details and the process, as early as possible. Mailing out newsletters will guarantee that all of us, especially those who may not use email or social media, are thoroughly informed. I plan to host regular, local community meetings and maintain scheduled office hours. A lot of the issues being discussed are not novel, and have been thrown around for years. It would be my life's honor to roll up my sleeves and make sure improvements like the Fore River Clubhouse and Faxon Park are completed, and that Washington Street is given the deserved level of funding, attention and resources.

I plan to serve this community by being proactive (and not reactive). In many ways, I already have served Ward 2, and I thank those residents who have trusted me with their issues and concerns thus far, whether they be development, traffic, or amenity related. I would take ownership over all aspects of this part of the City. Quincy is at a turning point and our Ward needs an advocate to make sure our voices and concerns are prioritized. I plan to continue this mission whether or not I have a title after this year's municipal election.

The Ward 2 City Council seat is an extension of my life. There is no skill, class, or degree to match my level of love for this area and the people in it. I hope my sincere commitment to Ward 2's residents shows. I respectfully ask that the voters choose me to be their next long term Ward 2 City Councillor on Nov. 7th.

Real Estate

Quincy Real Estate Transactions Sept. 18 - Sept. 22

Transactions are compiled by the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds

SELLER	BUYER	AMOUNT	ADDRESS
Sagamore Road Irrevocable Trust	CMM Realty Trust LLC	$805,500.00	35 Sagamore Avenue
Michael J. & Desiree L. Bender	Kathleen Campbell & James S. Abisamra	$802,500.00	33 Edison Park
Paul F. & Alice S. Byrne	Alice S. Byrne	$150,000.00	16 Becket Street
Mark P. & Wendy Blowers	Jacob C. Mullaney	$445,000.00	10 Hood Street
Charles T. & Yudelki M. Perretti	Qun Chen	$880,000.00	26 Hamilton Street
James F. & Renee McGuiness	Colin J. Murphy	$530,000.00	17 Manet Avenue
91 Hamden Circle Trust of 2023	Zhuo P. Xu	$845,000.00	91 Hamden Circle
Ellen J. Hanly	Glen DiGravio & Gina H. Nawazelski	$549,000.00	161 Rock Island Rock
Chak S. & Sui C. Lau	Marilyn W. Jarvis	$445,000.00	2001 Marina Drive Unit 314W
Melissa Campo & Kathleen Lombard	Christine M. Harvey	$550,000.00	51 Shirley Street
Vitaly Garaz	L & X Property Trust	$363,500.00	185 Quincy Shore Drive Unit A-81
Jeremy A. Scribner, John A. Scribner, Jr., John. A. Scribner III, John. A. Scribner IV, Margaret A. Keleher, Kathleen R. Keleher & Lauren E. Leydon	Sarah Arscott	$720,000.00	148-150 Merrymount Road
Robert G. & Anne M. Ruscansky	Benjamin C. Stillwell & Valerie R. Stevens	$1,075,000.00	7 Whaler Lane Unit 75

10 Properties In Norfolk County Sold For More Than $11M This Summer

A Mix Of Commercial And Residential

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell repors that during the summer of 2023, 10 properties – a mix of commercial and residential – sold for more than $11,000,000, with an average price of $34,887,000.

The prices on the property to follow concern real estate sales during the period of July 1st, 2023, through Sept. 20th.

The 10 properties were:

10. 108 Bodwell St., Avon, a 49,090-square-foot industrial warehouse built in 1970 on 6.33 acres of land, sold in August for $11,250,000;

9. 85 John Rd., Canton, a 435,600-square-foot research and development facility on 10 acres, sold in August for $22,750,000;

8. 206 Grove St., Franklin, a 150,000-square-foot warehouse and distribution facility, sold in July for $28,000,000;

7. Wheeler Circle, Stoughton, the 280-unit, 809-room apartment complex, known as Stone Ends Apartments, sold in July for $28,972,000;

6. 176 Grove Street, Franklin, a 171,000-square-foot freight transportation center and warehouse, was sold in May for $29,500,000;

5. 25 & 40 Kenwood Circle, Franklin, a multi-building storage and distribution center with a combined 200,000 square feet of space was sold in July to Boston Infill LLC for $37,500,000;

4. 57 Littlefield, Avon, the "Avon Business Center," a multi-building rental unit complex for industrial companies and small businesses, in July for $47,250,000;

3. Finnell Drive Industrial Park, the 5-building, 246,625-square-foot industrial park located in Weymouth, sold on the last day of August for $51,000,000;

2. Walpole Mall, which sits on 31 acres of land along the Boston Providence Highway, sold in July for $71,950,000 to LCR Walpole LLC;

1. 29, 39, & 51 Trotter Rd., Weymouth, known as the MIO Apartments, an upscale residential studio apartment complex, sold in July for $94,600,000.

The top sales appear to have been a combination of apartment complexes, retail, industrial and warehouse space, and distribution facilities.

"The industrial and commercial nature of these developments bodes well for the Norfolk County economy, both in terms of employment and revenue," O'Donnell said. "This also indicates that Norfolk County is not only a desirable place to both live and work but is also a magnet for business, industry, and trade."

Excise taxes from these 10 sales totaled more than $1,927,000 for the state and county.

"Despite the overall decline in activity throughout the county, there are still pockets of the market here in Norfolk County that are seeing growth and stability, particularly in commercial real estate and certain neighborhoods and prop-

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Ten Decorating Aesthetics To Make You Happier

By BARBARA GRACEFFA

This is a continuation of the last column sharing decorating suggestions from Ingrid Fetell Lee's book, "Joyful: The Surprising Power of Ordinary Things to Create Extraordinary Happiness."

The look and feel of the harmony aesthetic includes orderly, patterned, balanced, and flowing décor. Its signature element is repetition. Symmetry plays a leading role in architectural features, including strongly symmetrical floor plans with well-placed windows, doors, and trim for a balanced design. Feel happy surrounded by your favorite collections. Use mirrors to enhance symmetry. Arrange objects in grids. Ad declutter your home, especially the entry.

The next aesthetic is play. Find joy in circles, squiggles, waves, and polka dot patterns on window treatments, furniture, and rugs. Buy furniture with rounded corners. Arches, domed ceilings, and porthole windows are playful architectural features.

Achieve the surprise aesthetic with contrast, whimsy, and playing with proportion and scale in your décor. Choose accessories with off-beat designs, set your table with dishes of different colors or styles, or add contrasting tiles behind your cooktop or on the back of your shower wall.

The look and feel of transcendence is light and airy. Make your rooms seem taller by painting the ceiling a light color. In the same vein, hang open, sweeping light fixtures to draw your eye up. Replace heavy furniture with light-weight leggy pieces. Architectural features like skylights, wraparound windows, and lofts contribute to the aesthetic.

Who doesn't love a magic show? It's all about illusion and mysterious lights and movements. In your home, use mirrors to play with reflections, choose paints and fabrics with iridescent qualities, or suspend decorative objects from fishing line so they appear to defy the laws of gravity.

When I think of a celebration, I envision a gathering of friends and family and lots of champagne! Translate those elements of synchrony, sparkling elements, and bursting shapes to attain the celebration aesthetic. Arrange seating so that people can engage in conversation, accessorize with candles and string lights that twinkle, and decorate with bursting shapes like pom-poms and tassels. Don't forget to play rhythmic music to make you and your guests more blissful.

The signature elements of the final aesthetic of renewal include flowers, seasonal elements, and spiral shapes. Select fabrics, wallpaper, and art with floral motifs. Decorate for each season, especially the holidays to bring a smile to your face. Buy accessories with flared, curved, ruffled, or scalloped edges. Open your blinds to see sunrises, sunsets, and phases of the moon.

Some aesthetics work in harmony with each other, while some may conflict. You can mix, match, layer, pick and choose. It's rather simple, just use what you like - what brings you joy.

Quincy's Barbara Graceffa is president of Secretary of the Interior, offering creative solutions at reasonable rates. She is the author of the new book, "Inside Information: Secrets from an Interior Decorator." Learn more about her decorating and decluttering services and workshops at www.sec-interior.com, follow her blog at secretaryinteriordecorating.blog and enjoy her art quilts on Instagram @secretaryinteriordecorating.

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On Thursday, Sept. 7, at approximately 10:30 a.m. Officer Jamie Curran was dispatched to a residence in Houghs Neck for a reported past breaking and entering. The resident reported being victimized sometime overnight. Officer Curran responded and wrote a thorough incident report.

Detective James Menz of the Bureau of Criminal Investigations was assigned to the case. Detective Menz was able to gather camera footage from several neighbors' security systems. Detective Menz spent weeks working on the case trying to identify the suspects.

On Sept. 17, the case was submitted to the "Mass Most Wanted" webpage and posted on Quincy Police social media platforms. The Quincy Police Department received information which led to the identification of the individuals involved.

Off-duty Officer O'Hare spotted the female involved in the house break, waiting at a bus stop and was identified and arrested. As a result of the teamwork involved and assistance from the public and effort to see that this case was solved. Our department appreciates everyone who offered tips and information about this crime.

Job Well Done!

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A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT
Public Information Officer
Quincy Police Department

Spike In Drug Overdoses In Greater Boston Area

The Greater Boston area (including the City of Quincy) is experiencing a rise in drug overdoses. In the past 24 hours Quincy has had four confirmed overdoses (non-fatal). Not only are there more drugs on our streets but several drugs are being mixed with a dangerous and many times fatal drug known as Fentanyl.

As part of its public education efforts "the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration is alerting the public of a sharp nationwide increase in the lethality of fentanyl-laced fake prescription pills. The DEA Laboratory has found that, of the fentanyl-laced fake prescription pills analyzed in 2022, six out of ten now contain a potentially lethal dose of fentanyl."

Additionally, adding to the increase in overdoses and overdose deaths is the fact that the sedative Xylazine is being found in many fentanyl seizures to include seizures here in Quincy. Xylazine is often used in veterinarian clinics to sedate or euthanize animals. It's similar to Ketamine but more potent and longer acting.

Chief Kennedy and his leadership team are continuing to monitor the situation and will continue to work with our community and law enforcement partners to further educate the public on the extreme dangers and risks involved. We will continue to work tirelessly in our enforcement efforts to get this poison off of our streets and prosecute those who are distributing it.

We strongly encourage parents to speak to their children about these dangers and to those of you who may have loved ones suffering from drug addiction.

We are here to help. If you or a loved one needs assistance, please contact our department. In the event of an emergency please call 9-1-1, for all other assistance call our Communications Division at 617-479-1212.

As always, you can leave confidential tips about drug activity by calling our tip line at 617-328-4527.

Visit this site for more info -
https://www.dea.gov/onepill

QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15

DISORDER (two males fighting), 6:54 a.m., Edwin Street. Spoke to some people in the area. No one reports seeing any disorder.

LARCENY (black scooter), 8:09 a.m., 50 block of Lawn Avenue. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (owner/customer arguing), 9:10 a.m., Billings One Hour Cleaners, 224 West Squantum St. Customer in the store will not leave. Civil matter all persons advised.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 9:41 a.m., low numbers of Cushing Street. Wallet missing. Report to be filed.

DISORDER, 2:14 p.m., Quincy District Court, 1 Dennis F. Ryan Parkway. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (employee shoplifting), 2:38 p.m., BJs, 200 Crown Colony Dr. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (employee/past), 3:43 p.m., BJs, 200 Crown Colony Dr. Report to be filed.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY/DANGEROUS WEAPON (shod foot), 3:57 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 76 Franklin St. Report to be filed. One person to the hospital.

LARCENY (cards), 4:08 p.m., George Peps Baseball Cards, 53 Franklin St. Case number provided.

LARCENY/BIKE STOLEN, 4:14 p.m., T Mobile, 1205 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER, 8:47 p.m., Veterans' Memorial Stadium, 894 Hancock St. Detail officers on scene and report they are all set and will handle.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

SHOPLIFT (detergent), 8:39 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Detergent returned to store, party had no warrants. Sent on the way.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (signs), 8:43 a.m., United Methodist Church, 40 Beale St. Signs were vandalized, in parking lot. Advised.

LARCENY (wallet), 10:43 a.m., 625 Burgin Parkway. Case number provided, advised.

DISORDER (two males fighting), 1:48 p.m., 10 Faxon Ave. Males fighting gone on arrival.

SHOPLIFT, 3:23 p.m., Dollar Tree, 100 Granite St. Unable to locate suspect. Store to handle.

SHOPLIFT (detained), 8:13 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Female detained. Store to handle shoplifting. Suspect transported to the hospital.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (residence), 8:23 p.m., low number of Vane Street. Report to be filed.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17

LARCENY/ATTEMPT (scooter), 12:53 a.m., 109 Curtis Ave. Case number provided. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (just occurred), 3:23 a.m., low numbers of Albion Road. Unable to locate suspect. Suspect got into the vehicle. Nothing taken. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (egged), 10:32 a.m., 50 block of Walker Street. Car windshield egged overnight. No suspect at this time. Case number provided.

DISORDER (car in the drive thru), 11:26 a.m., McDonald's, 473 Southern Artery. Customer is short of the amount of money needed. Will be returning tomorrow to speak further with the manager. Peace restored.

DISORDER (two males arguing), 11:51 a.m., Wash Dry, 234 Hancock St. Male yelling, no weapons. Peace restored. All persons advised.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 11:56 a.m., 70 block of Billings Street. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (two males arguing), 1:48 p.m., 40 block of Greenleaf Street. Homeowners are power washing, caller states he needs to sleep. All involved advised.

SHOPLIFT (just happened), 1:55 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Responding officers spoke with Loss Prevention Officer. Store to handle.

LARCENY (package stolen), 3:37 p.m., 230 Willard St. Amazon package missing. Case number provided. Report filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST, 4:59 p.m., 100 block of Elm Avenue. Nothing missing but things moved around. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (stolen bag), 6:08 p.m., Victory Point, 332 Victory Rd. Report to be filed

DISORDER, 6:19 p.m., Alba, 1486 Hancock St. Issue over payment. Sent on way. Advised.

DISORDER (male yelling), 6:57 p.m., 1500 Hancock St. One male under arrest for disorderly conduct. Report and complaints filed.

DISORDER (male customer), 8:10 p.m., Chipotle Mexican Restaurant, 68 Newport Ave. Male customer yelling at the female coworkers. Male was gone on arrival.

DISORDER (two males), 8:30 p.m., Supreme Pantry, 615 Hancock St. Males came in the store demanding free nips. Gone on officers' arrival.

MONDAY, SEPT. 18

TRESPASS (court complaint), 8:09 a.m., Veterans' Memorial Stadium, 894 Hancock St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (two males arguing), 80 block of Thornton Street. Advised. Peace restored.

DISORDER (past), 3:09 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Female stated another female assaulted her. No crime took place. Advised.

DISORDER (past road rage), 3:56 p.m., Hancock and West Squantum Streets. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (attempt), 4:57 p.m., 40 block of Albion Road. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (argument over money), 5:18 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 363 Hancock St. Customer advised and sent on way.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 9:47 p.m., 89 East Squantum St. Personal items taken. Happened a couple of hours ago. Damage to outside of car. Case number provided. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (just happened), 10:06 p.m., 20 block of Milton Road. Report to be filed. Officers to keep check of area for suspect.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19

WORKING FIRE (fire in apartment), 1:15 a.m., 18 DesMoines Rd. Caller sates alarm going off. Fire caused by cooking. No EMS required. QFD to handle.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE, 7:42 a.m., 35 DesMoines Rd. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENGTERING/PAST (items stolen), 9:22 a.m., 1200 Hancock St. New construction site for condos. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (seafood), 12:50 p.m., Star Market, 130 Granite St. Male suspect trespassed and sent on the way. Store to handle.

RECOVERED/VEHICLE, 4:04 p.m., Roxbury, 30 Pompei St. Owner notified. Stolen record cancelled.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (blue 4Runner), 4:28 p.m. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (credit card information), 7:29 p.m., 175 Centre St. Caller states someone stole his information and purchased items. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 9:48 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Trespassed and sent on way. Store to handle.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20

DISORDER (on school bus), 7:16 a.m., 954 Hancock St. Report to be filed and court complaints filed for disorderly.

DISORDER (arguing), 7:54 a.m., Palmer and Shed Streets. Two persons arguing over items at the food pantry. Advised, peace restored. Sent on way.

DISORDER (two males), 7:57 a.m., Panera Bread Company, 200 Hancock St. Yelling at staff. Verbal argument. Advised and sent on the way.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 8:34 a.m., 70 block of Piermont Street. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY, 10:32 a.m., 125 Granite St. Vehicle vandalized. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (package), 12:13 p.m., 60 block of Mary Street. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (just fled), 12:23 p.m., Star Market, 130 Granite St. Two males headed towards Boston Market. Unable to locate males. Store to handle.

DISORDER (past), 1:06 p.m., McDonald's, 473 Southern Artery. Video of students fighting outside of McDonald's. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (wallet), 1:07 p.m., BJs, 200 Crown Colony Dr. Wallet taken from truck. Report to be filed.

TRESPASS (male), 1:20 p.m., Thomas Crane Public Library, 40 Washington St. Trespassed by library security in front of Officer Kelley. Sent on way.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 21

SHOPLIFT (male), 11:25 a.m., Target, 289 Hancock St. Male suspect walking towards banks. Suspect locsated, sent on the way. Store to handle.

WORKING FIRE, 1:13 p.m., Willard Street. QFD to handle. Food on stove.

SHOPLIFT (holding one), 2:58 p.m., Marshalls, 141 Newport Ave. Identified and sent on the way. Store to handle.

DISORDER (over gas), 5:14 p.m., Sea Street Gas Service, 346 Sea St. Caller and gas attendant are arguing over gas. Peace restored. Caller sent on way.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/ATTEMPT (past), 5:30 p.m., 80 block of East Squantum Street. Report to be filed.

RECOVERED VEHICLE (moped), 5:44 p.m., Faxon Commons, 1027 Southern Artery. Officer attempted to stop moped; did not stop and pulled in Faxon Commons parking lot. Arrest made, report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (female), 6:19 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 132 Granite St. Took six packages of diapers. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (past), 9 p.m., 40 Greenleaf St. Caller states his wife was being harassed by homeless people in the lobby, wouldn't let her into the lobby. Advised. Officers to make checks in the area.

DISORDER (female yelling), 9:33 p.m., 30 block of Plover Road. Resident was having car problems; advised.

Council On Aging October Activities At Kennedy Center

By MARIE FERENT
Assistant Director
Quincy Elder Services

The Quincy Council on Aging announces the following events are scheduled during the month of October.

The COA is located at the Kennedy Center, 440 East Squantum St., North Quincy.

Computer Classes Grace Buscher

Tuesday Classes 1 - 2:30 p.m. Individual appointments Wednesday by appointment from 1 - 3:30 p.m. Individual appointment times on Thursday by appointment 9 to 11:30 a.m. Please Call 617-376-1506 to register.

Tuesday, Oct. 3rd - IPhone/IPad Class
Wednesday, Oct. 4th - NO CLASS
Thursday, Oct. 5th - Individual Appointments
Tuesday, Oct. 10th - Chromebook Class
Wednesday, Oct. 11th - Individual Appointments
Thursday, Oct. 12th - Individual Appointments
Tuesday, Oct. 17th - NO CLASS
Wednesday, Oct. 18th - Individual Appointments *2 - 4 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 19th - Individual Appointments
Tuesday, Oct. 24th - Tuesday, Oct. 31st - NO CLASSES

Get Floral with Standish Village
Wednesday, Oct. 4th at 1 P.M.

Bring your own vase and join us at the Quincy Council on Aging for a Fall floral arranging event! A variety of flowers will be available for your custom bouquet. Light snacks and drinks will be provided! This is an RSVP only event, must be registered to attend. Please call 617-376-1506 to register. T.O.P.S.

Book Club
Thursday, Oct. 5th at 1:30 P.M.

The book club meets the first Thursday of every month at 1:30 p.m. The book for October is "The Italian Prisoner" by Elsa Speranza. Lorraine Downey has arranged for Elisa M. Speranza to come to the meeting

Steve Rudolph Trio
Friday, Oct. 6th at 1 P.M

Back by popular demand! Get your toes tapping as the Steve Rudolph Trio presents a joyous sampling of some of the best of American popular music from '40s, '50s, and '60s - from Big Band tunes to Frank Sinatra to Elvis and the Beatles. Pianist/Vocalist Steve Rudolph, founder of the trio, has performed extensively for over 50 years both in the U.S. and in Europe in venues ranging from jazz clubs to churches. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Nails to You Manicures
Friday, Oct. 6th and Friday, Oct. 20th

Join us for a manicure event at the Kennedy Center. Manicures will be $20 payable to Nails to You on the day of the event. Nails to You will now be at the Kennedy Center twice a month for manicure appointments. LeeAnn will now be offering Dazzle Dry which is a healthy alternative to gel. It is long lasting, vegan, healthy and completely dry in 5 minutes. Dazzle Dry Manicures will now be $25 and regular Manicures will increase to $20. Please call 617-376-1506 to schedule your appointment.

Medicare 101
Tuesday, Oct. 10th at 10:30 A.M.

Discover the basics of Medicare in our Medicare 101 session. Designed for those approaching retirements age or seeking to understand their healthcare options, this session covers the fundamental aspects of Medicare, including Parts A and B for hospital and Medicare coverage, Part C for Medicare Advantage, and Part D for prescription drug coverage. Learn about eligibility, enrollment periods, costs, and potential coverage gaps. Gain insights into navigating the complex world of Medicare and making informed decisions about coverage. Whether you're new to Medicare or need a refresher, our Medicare 101 session provides a clear overview to help you make the best choices. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Acrylics
Tuesday, Oct. 10th at 1 P.M.

Join acrylics teacher Karen Kelley for an acrylics class. No painting experience required. Cost is $18 and includes all supplies. Payment is due at time of registration.

Shredding
Wednesday, Oct. 11th from 10 A.M. - 12 Noon

Seniors are invited to safely dispose of sensitive and personal documents to protect themselves from identity theft and fraud. Please call the Kennedy Center at 617-376-1506 to register.

Men's Discussion
Thursday, Oct. 12th at 10 A.M.

Men's Discussion Group meets the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. The next meeting is Thursday, Oct. 12th. The speaker will be William O'Donnell, Norfolk County Register of Deeds.

Women's Discussion
Thursday, Oct. 12th at 1:30 P.M.

Women's Discussion Group meets the second Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is Oct. 12th. The speaker will be Deb Deery, LPC, IPC, Quincy Health Department Public Health Nurse.

Enrollment Advisors
Thursday, Oct. 12th and Oct. 26th
from 11:30 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Benefits Support Specialist Nadia Montrond from South Shore Elder Services will be at the Kennedy Center to assist member with the following services: SNAP application, Senior MassHealth Application or other MassHealth questions/concerns and Community Home Care Services/ Resources for seniors. Appointments are required. Appointments will be 30 minutes long. Please call 617-376-1506 to make an appointment.

Norfolk County Sheriff Yellow Dot
Friday, Oct. 13th at 11:30 A.M.

Yellow Dot is a free program, which provides first responders with quick access to critical medical information about the occupants of an automobile in the event of an accident or health emergency. Participants place a Yellow Dot Decal on the driver's side rear windshield of their cars. Space is limited and registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Bracelet Making
Friday, Oct. 13th at 10:30 A.M.

Come join Ruth and Elizabeth for a bracelet making class! Cost is $5. Registration is required and payment is due at time of registration.

Prepare for Surgery Heal Faster
Monday, Oct. 16th at 10 A.M.

This 1.5-hour program is for you if you are anxious and stressed over an upcoming procedure or surgery. This program aims to share mind-body techniques that can help you: feel calmer before procedure or surgery, recover faster, have less pain after surgery, strengthen the immune system, use less pain medication, and save money on medical bills. Inspired by the book Prepare for Surgery Heal Faster by Peggy Huddleston. This program is presented by Tufts Medical Center's Debbie Lyn Toomey, RN, Injury Prevention Coordinator. Registration is required. Space is limited. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Quincy's Memory Café Hosted by Standish Village at the Kennedy Center
Monday, Oct. 16th at 12 Noon

Brought to you by Julie Williamson, Director of Communications for Standish Village Assisted Living & Compass Memory Support, Quincy's Memory Café welcomes those living with memory loss or dementia and their care partners, family and friends. While Memory Café is open to anyone in the community, any guest who requires a personal care attendant must have a caregiver present. Please call 617-376-1243 to register for the café or with any questions.

Fashion Show
Monday, Oct. 16th at 1 P.M.

Join us for a free fashion show and demonstration with fashion expert Caryn Smith, owner of Caryn's Corner, a popular boutique of beautiful, trendy and comfortable clothing and stylish accessories. Clothing modeled on the runway will surely delight our guests. After the models strut their stuff on the runway, Caryn will demonstrate fashion trends and fashion "how-tos." Registration Required. Call 617-376-1506.

VNA Care Shingles Presentation
Tuesday, Oct. 17th at 12 Noon

Join VNA Care for a presentation on the symptoms, treatment, and prevention of shingles. There will also be a question-and-answer session. A light lunch will be served. Registration is required. Space is limited. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Resources to Remember
Wednesday, Oct. 18th at 12 Noon

Resources to Remember (R2R) is comprised of a panel of professionals, who provide services to seniors, their families, and their caregivers. If you're ever in need of local resources for yourself or someone you know, you are encouraged to attend this event. R2R members work closely together, provide quality services for seniors, and most importantly, are people you can count on and trust. From legal services to homecare to living options, this will be an enlightening event. A light lunch will be served. Seating will be limited. Resources to Remember is a not-for-profit group, serving the South Shore since 2010. Visit www.resourcestoremember.com to learn more. Space is limited and registration is required. Please call 617- 376-1506 to register.

Protecting Your Assets
Thursday, Oct. 19th at 10 A.M.

Attorney Robert Romano will conduct his Estate Planning Essentials workshop at the Kennedy Center to discuss important issues that affect all seniors, including avoiding probate and protecting your assets from a nursing home. Come and learn about the 5 legal documents that all adults should have! Space is limited. Registration is required. Call 617-376-1506 to register.

Monthly Bereavement Support Group
Thursday, Oct. 19th at 1 P.M.

All are welcome. This is a monthly group which provides a space of sharing and support for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Sponsored by Hamel Lydon Chapel Cremation Service of Massachusetts.

Archie Richards Sing-along
Friday, Oct. 20th at 2 P.M.

Archie Richards will lead us in a one-hour singalong of famous Broadway Songs. It includes songs from Oklahoma, My Fair Lady, and other well-known Broadway musicals. You will have the lyrics in hand. Everyone knows the tunes; Archie will accompany on piano. He played a wonderful classical piano concert for us last July, this time he will slip in a few jokes too! Space is limited. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Bingo
Monday, Oct. 23rd at 1 P.M.

Join the Quincy Rotary Club/Friends of The Kennedy Center for an afternoon of Bingo! Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

SHINE Medicare Presentation
Tuesday, Oct. 24th at 10:30 A.M.

This seminar will help guide you through the steps required to enroll in Medicare, what coverages are available to supplement Medicare and how to access prescription drug plans based on your individual needs. The objective of the SHINE program is to provide Massachusetts residents with Medicare access to accurate, unbiased health insurance information, counseling and assistance free of charge through a network of trained health benefit counselors. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Rock Painting
Friday, Oct. 27th at 2 P.M.

Come join us in the Art room and paint a rock with your own unique design! Paint supplies provided. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Stress First Aid
Monday, Oct. 30th at 10 A.M.

Learn how Stress First Aid (SFA) can help you manage stress and support others experiencing stress in a new way. This training is offered by Tufts Medical Center's Debbie Lyn Toomey, MSN, RN, Injury Prevention Professional. Space is limited and registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Halloween Party
Tuesday, Oct. 31st at 1 P.M.

Join us if you dare for our annual Halloween Party! Live entertainment, appetizers and dessert. Halloween costumes optional. Prizes will be awarded to winners of the costume contest. Reserve your spot at this popular and fun annual event!! Registration is required. Stop by the Kennedy Center to register. $10PP due at registration.

QHS/NQHS Hockey Hall Of Fame Golf Tourney

The first annual Quincy High School/North Quincy High School Combined Hockey Hall of Fame Golf Tournament will be held Monday, Oct. 2nd at Braintree Golf Course.

The cost is $150 per golfer or $30 if you would plan on attending the dinner after only.

This includes greens fees, carts, breakfast, a golf shirt, lunch and prizes.

If you can't make the golf portion, hole sponsorships are available for $100, with your signs posted at a tee box as recognition.

Any raffle donations would be appreciated.

Registration is at 8 a.m. and a shotgun start at 9 a.m. to follow.

Proceeds are to help defray tuition costs for NQHS and QHS (William Hutchinson Scholarship) players.

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Contact Matt Giordani at 617-910-6944 for prepayment information.

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55+ Housing District Zoning Eyed For ENC Campus

By SCOTT JACKSON

Mayor Thomas Koch wants senior housing built on the site of Eastern Nazarene College in Wollaston if the campus is no longer used for educational or religious purposes.

Koch on Sept. 18 submitted to the City Council an ordinance, cosponsored by Ward 5 Councillor Charles Phelan Jr., that would create a congregate over 55 housing overlay district where the college is located today. The ordinance was referred to committee for consideration in the future.

In a letter to city councillors, Koch said he was hopeful Eastern Nazarene College would remain in the community for many years to come, though the school, and many others, is facing challenges.

"This proposal should be seen strictly as a long-term protective measure," Koch said. "Eastern Nazarene has been part of this community for many decades and we all certainly hope that remains the case for many years to come. It is no secret, however, that like many similar institutions of high education, the college faces challenges. This overlay district would become operable only when and if the college decides to sell the property for any use outside of educational or religious purpose in accordance with state and federal laws."

The overlay district, Koch added, "creates the framework for the property to be utilized specifically for low-density housing for people over the age of 55 that fits into the character of the broader neighborhood." The exact details of the district would be determined during a process involving, the council, the administration and the community, he said.

"A district such as this not only serves to protect the neighborhood from high-density housing but meets a need for the kind of a middle-class, age-restricted housing this could create," Koch said.

"I wish to reiterate this proposal is not related to anything eminent relative to the college and is submitted only as a long-term vision should the status of the college change in the coming years."

During the Sept. 18 meeting, Councillor Anne Mahoney, who is running against Koch for mayor this fall, asked if the administration had considered the idea of Quincy College moving into Eastern Nazarene College's campus should the ENC close in lieu of potentially building a new home in Quincy Center for the municipally owned college.

"I'm all for a 55 and over community being developed for the city of Quincy and I recognize that this is preemptive in the case that something might happen with Eastern Nazarene. I appreciate that explanation," Mahoney said.

"Currently I think Quincy College is also housing some of the college nursing program there. Why would we not, instead of building a 15-story building for Quincy College, which is also on the table that's going to cost the taxpayers an unprecedented amount of money to do, would we not look to potentially move Quincy College and solve two college and university's problems?"

Koch's chief of staff, Chris Walker, said in response that rezoning ENC's campus would not stop another school, like Quincy College, from using the site in the future.

"Let's say hypothetically that the college wanted to do something different. Under state law, any educational or religious use would be covered under its existing use, so there wouldn't be a need to create an overlay zoning district," Walker said.

"This comes in the case those options are exhausted or those are not options that the college, the city, the community chooses to pursue. This is purely outside of those options that exist and will exist while the college is still there."

Council President Noel DiBona said he welcomed taking a proactive approach when it comes to ENC's campus.

"I love the idea of a proactive approach," he said. "I think this opens the doorway for other areas and other developments around the city that may have to be tweaked down the road. Thank you for bringing this about, Councillor Phelan. I know this is going to go into committee and we'll talk a lot more about this, but it's a good start."

10 Properties In Norfolk County Sold For More Than $11M This Summer

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erty types," O'Donnell noted.

Since July 2023, there have been 2,068 property sales recorded in Norfolk County, down 21 percent over the same time period last year. The average sales price for these properties which include, commercial and residential property was $1,235,419, up 8 percent from last year.

"As we head into the fall season, we hope to see similar real estate activity, but higher property prices, relative to relative 2020 and 2021 prices, and a limited supply of new and existing homes, along with the interest rate environment the economy is in, may temper expectations," O'Donnell said.

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October Children's Events, Activities At Crane Library

By JULIE RINES
Children's Coordinator
Thomas Crane Public Library

The following events and activities for children are scheduled during the month of October at the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Great Pumpkin Character Contest

Participate in the Great Pumpkin Character Contest! At home, decorate a small pumpkin as your favorite book character and bring the decorated pumpkin to the Main Library Children's Room for display. Please no pierced or cut pumpkins, they spoil too quickly.

Pumpkins may be dropped off at the main library children's room from Tuesday, Oct. 10th to Monday, Oct. 16th. Each pumpkin will be awarded a special ribbon. Will your pumpkin be the Shiniest, the Scariest, the Cutest or…something else?

Pick up your pumpkin between Monday, Oct. 23rd and Saturday, Oct. 28th to see what award your pumpkin has won and so that you will have it to enjoy at home on Halloween.

For more details, ask a librarian or check the Thomas Crane Public Library website.

Arabic Storytime @Adams Shore ages 0-7

The Library is pleased to be working with dedicated community members to offer a monthly storytime in Arabic.

Join us on Monday, Oct. 2nd at 6:15 p.m. at the Adams Shore library for this program which will be conducted primarily in Arabic with the intention of helping young Arabic language learners to improve their skills. This program is suitable for children up to age 7.

Coding Club for Grades 2-3

Join us for beginning coding for grades 2-3. In this 5-week program series, we'll learn about the basics of coding and practice recognizing patterns, breaking instructions into steps, and working with sequences. Please note that this is a screen-free program.

The program takes place on the following dates, Mondays, Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6 and 13 at 3 p.m. We ask that you only register if you can attend all 5 sessions.

Registration is required and is limited to Quincy residents in grades 2 and 3 and is subject to approval by the library. Registration begins on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at 9 a.m. online at thomascranelibrary.org, by phone at 617-376- 1300 ext. 4 or in person at the Main Library Children's Room.

There is no wait list for this program. Additional sessions of this program will be held in winter and spring.

Coding Club for Grades 4-5

Join us for this 5-week session of beginners Scratch for 4th and 5th graders with source materials from Girls Who Code.

The program takes place on the following dates, Wednesdays, Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8 and 15 at 3 p.m. If you sign up, please commit to coming for 5 weeks as they build on each other.

Registration is required and is limited to Quincy residents in grades 4 and 5 and is subject to approval by the library. Registration begins on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at 9 a.m. online at thomascranelibrary.org, by phone at 617-376- 1300 ext. 4 or in person at the Main Library Children's Room.

There is no wait list for this program. Additional sessions of this program will be held in winter and spring.

Pajama Storytime for ages 1-5

Join us on Thursday, Oct. 5th at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly family pajama storytime for the whole family. This program is especially for children ages 1-5 accompanied by an adult.

This month be prepared for some pre-bedtime silly stories, songs, and a craft. As always, please feel free to wear your pajamas!

Music and Movement with Miss Rubi ages 0-2

We invite our youngest patrons ages 0-2 to join Miss Rubi from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7th for a Music and Movement program especially designed for them. These sessions will feature baby bounces, tickles, wiggles, finger plays and nursery rhymes with parent participation.

This programs are especially for children ages 0-2 accompanied by an adult.

Music and Movement with Miss Rubi ages 3-6

We invite Miss Rubi's fans ages 3-6 to join us on Saturday, Oct. 7th from 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. for a Music and Movement program full of large scale movements, rhythm clapping, finger plays and nursery rhymes including early literacy and music activities. Parent participation highly encouraged.

So put on your favorite dancing shoes and join us for this lively mix of music and movement. Please bring a stuffie along with you to join the fun.

These programs are especially for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult.

PJ Storytime at North Quincy for ages 0-5

Join us at the North Quincy Branch on Tuesday, Oct. 10th at 6:30 p.m. for an evening pajama storytime for the whole family! Children ages 0-5 will particularly enjoy this storytime, as we'll sing songs, read books, recite rhymes, and more!

This program will happen on the second Tuesday of each month.

Panels and Pages Graphic Novel Book Club for Grades 5-7

Children in grades 5-7 are invited to join us on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. for our Grades 5-7 Graphic Novel book club. Each month we will discuss a different graphic novel.

On Tuesday, Oct. 10th we'll be discussing "The Sleepover" by Michael Regina.

Registration is required for this program. Register through our online calendar.

Puppy Pages @ Adams Shore Ages 6-8

On Wednesday, Oct. 11th from 1 to 2 p.m. meet Elliot the therapy dog at the Adams Shore Library and spend some time practicing your reading with him.

Young readers ages 6-8 are invited to spend 10 minutes reading aloud to Elliot.

Reading takes practice and reading aloud with a patient and non-judgmental canine friend is a great way for young readers to practice and become more confident.

Registration is not required. 10 minute timeslots with Elliot will be assigned on a first come first served basis.

Elliot and his owner Michelle are volunteers trained by Dog B.O.N.E.S. therapy dogs of Massachusetts.

Preschool Discovery - Math & Numbers for ages 3-5

Join us for Preschool Discovery, a hands-on parent and child science program that meets once a month at each library location. Activities, experiments and instructions will be provided for science you can do with your child.

Get ready to get counting this month with numbers and math! We'll have simple activities to learn about numbers, measurement, geometry and other math skills. Match numbers, play with a cash register, and more!

The program will be at the Wollaston Library on Thursday, Oct. 12th from 3 to 4 p.m., the Adams Shore Library on Wednesday, Oct. 18th from 3 to 4 p.m., the North Quincy Library on Saturday, Oct. 21st from 10 to 11 a.m. and the in the Main Library Children's Room on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 10 to 11 a.m.

Night Owls Book Club for Grades 3 and 4

We invite children in grades 3 and 4 to join us to discuss a chapter book or graphic novel on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. We'll vote for upcoming titles at the end of each meeting.

On Thursday, Oct. 12th we'll get together discuss to discuss "Dragons in the Bag" by Zetta Elliott.

When Jaxon is sent to spend the day with a mean old lady his mother calls Ma, he finds out she's not his grandmother--but she is a witch! She needs his help delivering baby dragons to a magical world where they'll be safe. There are two rules when it comes to the dragons: don't let them out of the bag, and don't feed them anything sweet. Before he knows it, Jax and his friends Vikram and Kavita have broken both rules! Will Jax get the baby dragons delivered safe and sound? Or will they be lost in Brooklyn forever?

Copies of the book are available to check out at the Main Library or as an ebook or audiobook on Libby.

Double Booked Book Club

A book club for parents/guardians and their 3-5th grader. You can read the book together or separately and join us to discuss what you read on the second Saturday of each month.

On Saturday, Oct. 14th we will be meeting to discuss "The 39-story Treehouse" by Andy Griffith.

Andy and Terry are once again inviting readers to come hang out with them in their astonishing 39-story treehouse (it used to be 13 stories, then 26 stories, but they keep expanding). And this year they will have even more time to jump on the world's highest trampoline, toast marshmallows in an active volcano, swim in the chocolate waterfall, pet baby dinosaurs, and go head-to-trunk with the Trunkinator, since Terry has created the greatest invention that he—or anyone else—has ever invented . . . a Once-upon-a-time machine that will write and illustrate their entire book for them!

Copies of the book are available for pick up in the Children's Room and as an ebook on Libby.

Dungeons and Dragons for ages 10-15

New and experienced players are invited to join us in person at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17th for this introduction to D&D 5th edition game play. Take on the role of a fantasy hero in this Dungeons & Dragons game. We will meet for an hour and a half to play this campaign. Please note: There is no wait list for this program, but we will be running more campaigns in the coming months.

Registration is required for this program. Register through our online calendar. This program is for ages 10-15.

This program will take place in the Main Library Children's Room. Character sheets will be provided.

Super Awesome Hangout Club for grades 3-5

Calling all 3rd, 4th & 5th graders! Come hang out with old friends and make some new ones! Come hangout with us on the third Wednesday of each month in the Children's blue program room.

At our hangout on Wednesday, Oct. 18th at 3 p.m. when we will be making luminaries.

No registration required, while supplies last.

ExPLORE @Wollaston for grades 4-6

ExPLORE (Experiment, Play, Learn, Observe, Read, Examine) is a series of monthly hands-on science workshops for children in grades 4-6, covering a wide variety of topics.

Meeting at the Wollaston Branch Library on the third Wednesday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. each workshop has a short portion of instruction and then exploration and experimentation. Topics range from forensic science to bubbles and parents/caregivers are welcome to participate as well alongside their children.

Join us at the Wollaston Library on Wednesday, Oct. 18th at 7 p.m. for Castle Siege! Building a strong castle takes work and planning. Knocking it down takes planning too. First we'll explore different building methods and build our castle together. Then we'll experiment with different model siege weapons such as trebuchets, catapults, and battering rams before using our picks to knock the castle down.

Review Crew for grades 5-7

Join us on Thursday, Oct. 19th at 7 p.m. to be a part of the Review Crew.

Do you like talking about books, movies, or video games? Want your favorites displayed in the children's room? The Review Crew for 5-7th graders will meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Main Library to present and discuss our thoughts on library materials, write reviews, and put together a display to share our favorites with the rest of the children's room!

Toy Time for ages 9 to 23 months

Come to the library for a free playtime session with your baby, ages 9- 23 months full of age appropriate toys and activities plus socializing with other children and caregivers.

A fun time for all and a chance to practice large and small muscle development. This program will meet in the large meeting room from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21st.

This program is for children ages 9 – 23 months accompanied by an adult. Space is limited and the doors will be closed when the room is full.

Boston Choral Ensemble — PopUp Boston!

Join us on Saturday, Oct. 21st at 11 a.m. in the Richardson Building for a concert with the Boston Chorale Ensemble.

The 30-minute family-friendly program bursts with joyful music from the many diverse communities that call Boston home. Pieces include "Kalinda" in Haitian Creole; "Balelaikka," a Tamil tongue-twister from India; "Salseo,"a Venezuelan song with a salsa beat; and the stirring "Song for the People" by Melissa Dunphy.

Led by their Artistic Director, Katherine Chan, the Boston Choral Ensemble returns to a full season of sharing innovative and engaging musical experiences for audiences in beloved community gathering spaces throughout Boston.

Tween Crafternoon Gr. 5-8

Tween Crafternoon is a monthly craft program just for grades 5-8. Join us at 1 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month to try your hand at a different project.

Join us at the Main Library on Wednesday, Oct. 25th at 1 p.m. for CD Art. All craft supplies will be provided.

Page Turners Graphic Novel Book Club for Grades 3- 5

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to join us on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. for our Page Turners graphic novel book club. Each month we will discuss a different graphic novel and make our own.

On Wednesday, Oct. 25th we'll get together discuss the "Hazardous Tales Series" by Nathan Hale

Copies of the books are available for pick up in the main library children's room and on Hoopla.

Halloween Costume Parade for All Ages

Do you want a chance to show off your Halloween costume before Halloween? Do you want to collect stickers all throughout the library?

Join us for a Halloween Costume Parade through the whole building! We'll gather in the children's room at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28th and take a walk through the library to trick-or-treat for stickers in each department.

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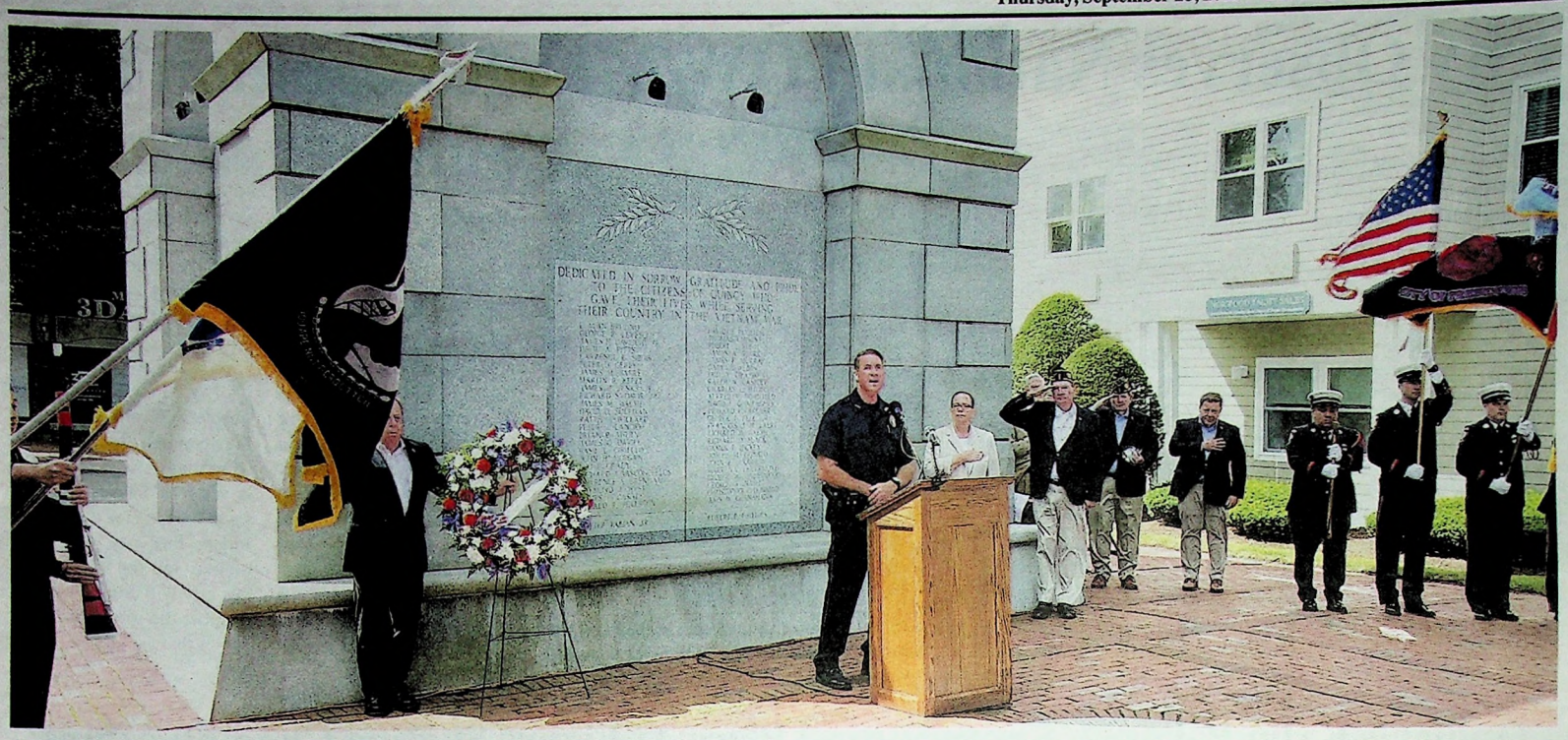

QUINCY Police Officer Don Sautter sings the national anthem at the start of the National POW/MIA Recognition Day on Sept. 15. The day is observed every year on the third Friday in September.

City Observes National POW/MIA Recognition Day

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our troops, peace was still out of reach. Essentially all there was to fight for then was the return of the POWs and that went on for years.

"It's hard to overstate the long-term impact all of this has had on America's war-fighting doctrine. Avoiding having POWs is now a major consideration in how we fight our wars, because allowing enemies to hold our people is a threat to our mission. Other countries don't have this problem. They don't trade strategic goals for the return of their POWs, and they don't care about their missing, but Americans value life so much more."

Brudno said the nation celebrated after American POWs came home from Vietnam, but there was little joy for the families of those listed as missing in action.

"When the POWs were finally released in 1973, my brother was on the first plane out of Hanoi because he had been held captive for seven and a half years. Others came in the order of their shootdown. They trickled out over the next two months," he said.

"Operation Homecoming was a time for national celebration, not just for the families of these men but it was a long overdue coming together for most Americans after years of internal strife because of that war. The country needed heroes and these men stepped into that role.

"But while everyone cheered on that day, there was little joy in the families of men listed as MIA. Some had already accepted the likelihood that their man would not come home, but others clung to hope, and others became victims of unscrupulous people who kept them searching for closure that would never come.

"And this must have been bittersweet for the families of those who were killed in action and the soldiers who had never gotten a welcome home like this. So today, while we remember the POWs and MIAs, don't forget all of the others who fought and died in a war that offered no glory."

Mildred Cox, a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, said the nation's veterans will always remember those who were held captive and those who may still be in captivity.

"Those who have served and those currently serving in the uniformed armed services of the United States are ever mindful that the

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MAYOR THOMAS KOCH spoke to the crowd at the Marina Bay ceremony. "This city will never forget, this city will continue to tell the history and this city will continue to remember the stories of these names that are etched on the wall," he said.
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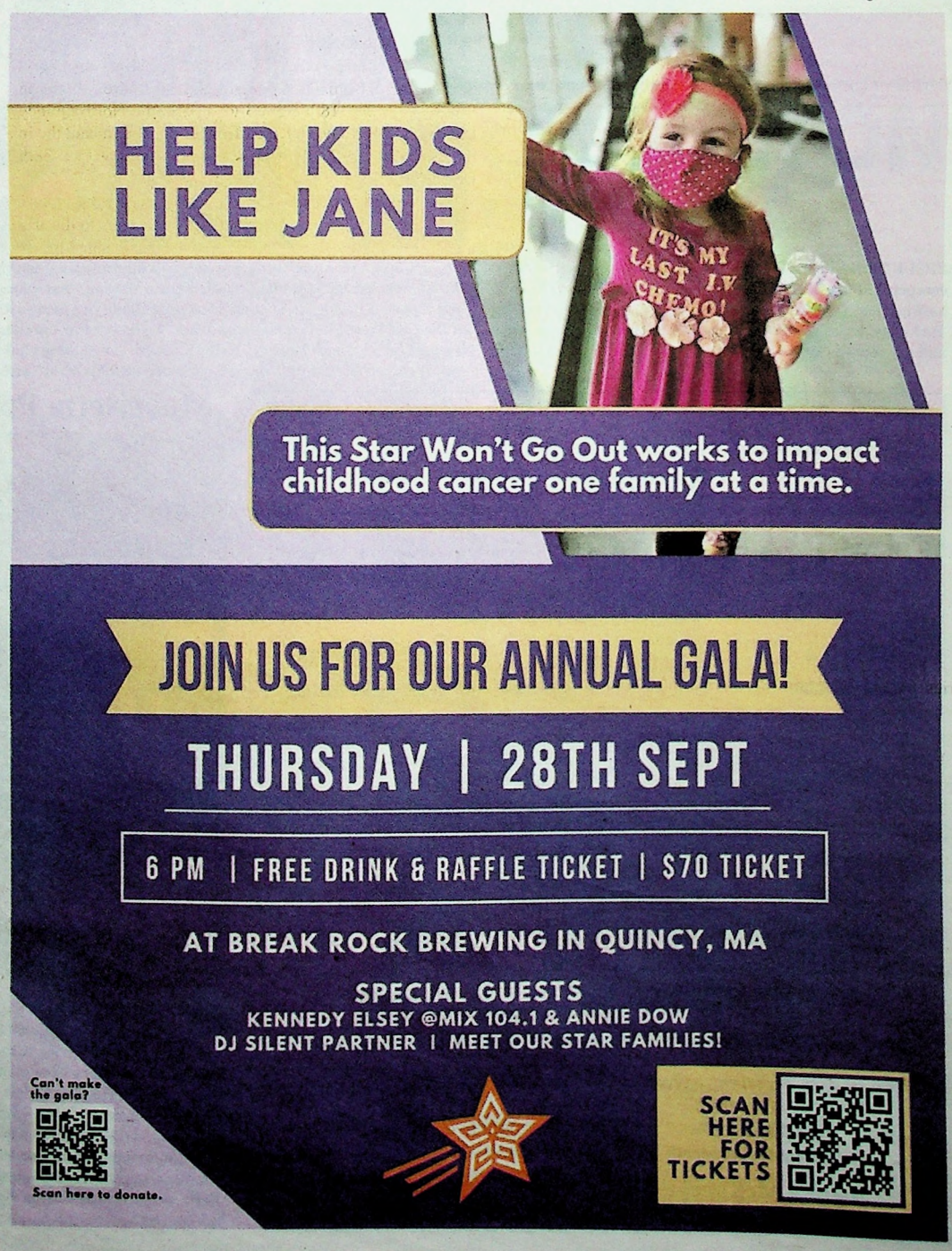

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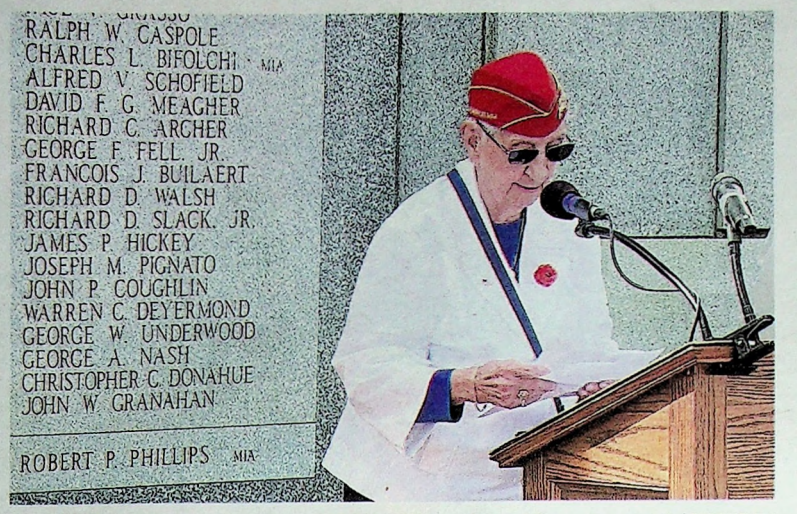
sweetness of enduring peace has always been tainted by the bitterness of personal sacrifice," she said. "We are compelled to never forget that while we enjoy our daily pleasures, there are others who have endured and may still be enduring the agonies of deprivation and internment."

Pointing to the names on the clock tower, Thomas Bolinder, a veteran of the Vietnam War, said organizing the annual ceremonies at Marina Bay for the past 36 years has taken an emotional toll on himself and others, but "in comparison to the sacrifices of these men, it is nothing,"



WORLD WAR II Marine Corps veteran Mildred Cox addressed the audience at the POW/MIA ceremony on Sept. 15. "We are compelled to never forget that while we enjoy our daily pleasures, there are others who have endured and may still be enduring the agonies of deprivation and internment," she said. *Quincy Sun Photo/Scott Jackson*

"These men will always be family, though I never knew them, and they will always be remembered long after we're gone," Bolinder added.

Mayor Thomas Koch said Quincy would never forget those who served.

"I often say that in this society that we have in this great United States of America we've never been more educated yet many days I feel we've never been more ignorant," Koch said. "We've seen what's happened the last few years across the country, and I'll just speak to the ignorance of our country, the cancel culture.

"How can we tell the stories if we don't know the history? We definitely have to do a better job across the country of telling that history so we can remember who paid the ultimate sacrifice in enduring and preserving this great United States of America.

"I can say this, we in Quincy do it right. So many people here are just amazing, continue to contribute in so many ways whether it is veterans' causes or other causes. This city will never forget, this city will continue to tell the history and this city will continue to remember the stories of these names that are etched on the wall."

Quincy's Kylin Palascak Earns Second Place At Figure Skating Championships

FIGURE SKATER KYLIN PALASCAK of Quincy recently competed at the 2023 Middle Atlantic Figure Skating Championships held Sept. 7-10 at the Sky Rink, Chelsea Piers, in New York City. Kylin competed in the Pre-Preliminary Boys event, and got second place. *Courtesy Photos*

KYLIN PALASCAK with his parents and figure skating coaches, Melanie Lambert and Fred Palascak (middle photo) at the championships 2023 Middle Atlantic Figure Skating Championships, presented by the Skating Club of New York. This competition is part of US Figure Skating's National Qualifying Series. Results from the Series events qualify athletes to become members of the US Figure Skating National Team. Kylin is a third grader at Merrymount Elementary and is also in his third season playing for Quincy Youth Hockey. Kylin trains at The Skating Club of Boston in Norwood four days per week. He also plays hockey four days per week, which includes practice with his team, skills sessions, and games.

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Morrisette Post Honors Gold Star Families

THE MORRISETTE AMERICAN Legion Post #294 recently donated bronze plaques to Gold Star families in honor of fallen heroes during the 16th Annual Mass Elks Motorcycle Ride which took place at the Billerica Elks. The four veterans were honored for their service to our nation and family members were on hand to accept the plaques in the veterans's name. This was the third year the Morrisette Post was a gold sponsor of the event. The Mass Elks Bike Ride not only honors veterans each year it also raises money for hospitalized veterans throughout Massachusetts. Officers of the Morrisette Post were on hand for this event. From left to right: Sr. Vice Commander Steve Dunlea, Penny Sokolowski, niece of William Perry, KIA; Sons of the American Legion Commander Dave Piccuito; Lisa DuPont, wife of Kevin DuPont, KIA; Morrisette Commander George Bouchard; and state Rep. Steven Xiarhos, father of Nicholas G. Xiarhos, KIA. *Courtesy Photo*

Fall Landscape Care With Pollinators In Mind

By MELINDA MYERS

No matter where you live, investing time caring for your landscape now will pay off with a healthier, more beautiful landscape next spring and for years to come. Incorporate the following practices into your fall maintenance to support pollinators and the plants in your landscape.

Don't rake the leaves to the curb or haul them to your municipality's composting center. Instead, handle them with your lawn mower. Shred leaves and leave them on the lawn as you mow this fall. As the leaves break down, they add organic matter to the soil and as long as you can see the grass through the leaf pieces, the lawn will be fine.

Put any extra fall leaves to work in the garden. Add shredded leaves to your compost pile or dig them into annual gardens as a soil amendment. Just dig a two-to-three-inch layer of shredded leaves into the top 12 inches of annual or new planting beds. The leaves will decompose over winter adding organic matter to the soil. By spring, your garden bed will be ready for you to finish preparing and planting.

Spread some of the fall leaves on top of the soil around permanent plants as a mulch. They help insulate the roots, conserve moisture, suppress weeds, and as they break down improve the soil. Fall mulching gives you a jump on next spring's landscape chores. It also provides winter homes for some beneficial insects and insulation for bumblebee queens, frogs, and others that overwinter in the soil.

Leave healthy perennials to stand over winter. They will add motion and texture to the landscape. The seedheads add beauty and many provide food for the birds. Hollow stems of a variety of perennials provide winter homes for many native bees and other beneficial insects. This also increases winter survival as research found perennials left standing are better able to tolerate the rigors of winter.

Be sure to cut back and dispose of any diseased or insect-infested plants. Removing these reduces the source of disease and insect pest problems in next year's garden. Use a bypass pruner to cut the plants back to just above the soil surface. Corona's XSeries Pro bypass pruner (www.coronatoolsusa.com) is lightweight and professional grade with its blade ensuring smooth, clean cuts on both green and dry stems and branches.

Continue watering throughout the fall and only during the day when soil and air temperatures are at or above 40 degrees F. Trees, shrubs and perennials suffering from drought stress in fall and early winter are more subject to root damage and subsequently insect pest and disease problems. Make sure new plantings, moisture lovers, evergreens and perennials in exposed sites are thoroughly watered when the top four to six inches are crumbly and slightly moist.

Add some new plants to the landscape this fall. The soil is warm and the air is cool, providing excellent conditions for planting and establishing trees, shrubs and perennials. Include some fall favorites like pansies, asters and mums to containers and garden beds for instant color and food for late-season pollinators. Many garden centers add healthy new plants to their inventory specifically for planting this fall.

No matter where you live or the size of your garden, get outdoors and enjoy the beauty of fall. And be sure to invest a bit of time and energy now to ensure your landscape is ready for the season ahead.

USE A QUALITY bypass pruner to cut back and dispose of any diseased or insect-infested plants. *Photo Courtesy of Corona Tools*

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Corona Tools for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Mite Box Thrift Shop Hours

Mite Box Thrift Shop at the Parish of St. Chrysostom, 1 Linden St., Quincy, is open Wednesday and Fridays. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday 12:30 to 4 p.m.

The shop is also open the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The next Saturday opening will be Oct. 7.

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Quincy Boys' Soccer Battles, Bows To Hingham 3-0

QUINCY BOYS' SOCCER team battled a tough Hingham squad before bowing to the Harbormen, 3-0 at Veterans' Memorial Stadium Sept. 21. Photo at left: Quincy junior Ernest Lako heads the ball for the Presidents as a Hingham defender moves in. Middle photo: Quincy senior Tim Heise dribbles on the sideline as he looks to pass to a teammate. More photos on Page 23.

Quincy Sun Photos/Robert Bosworth

QUINCY JUNIOR Kevin Marko and a Hingham defender collide as they try to head the ball during the Presidents-Harbormen game Sept. 21 at Veterans' Memorial Stadium. Quincy (0-3-1) hosted Plymouth South Tuesday and will play Marshfield today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. at the stadium.

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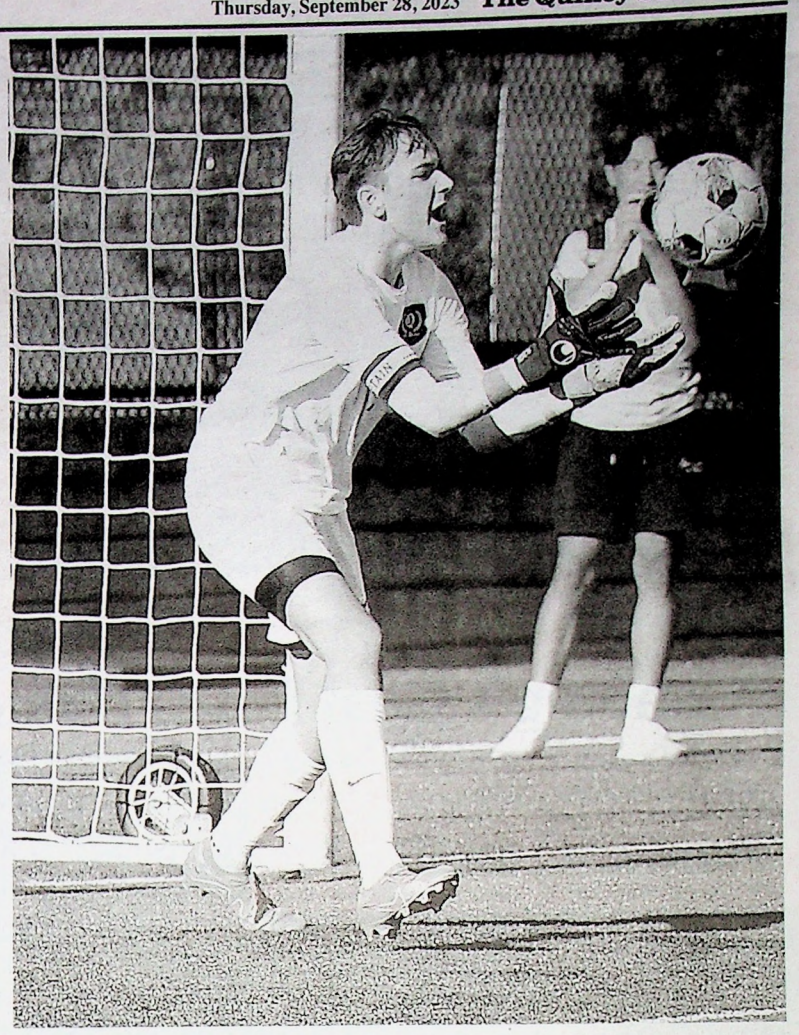
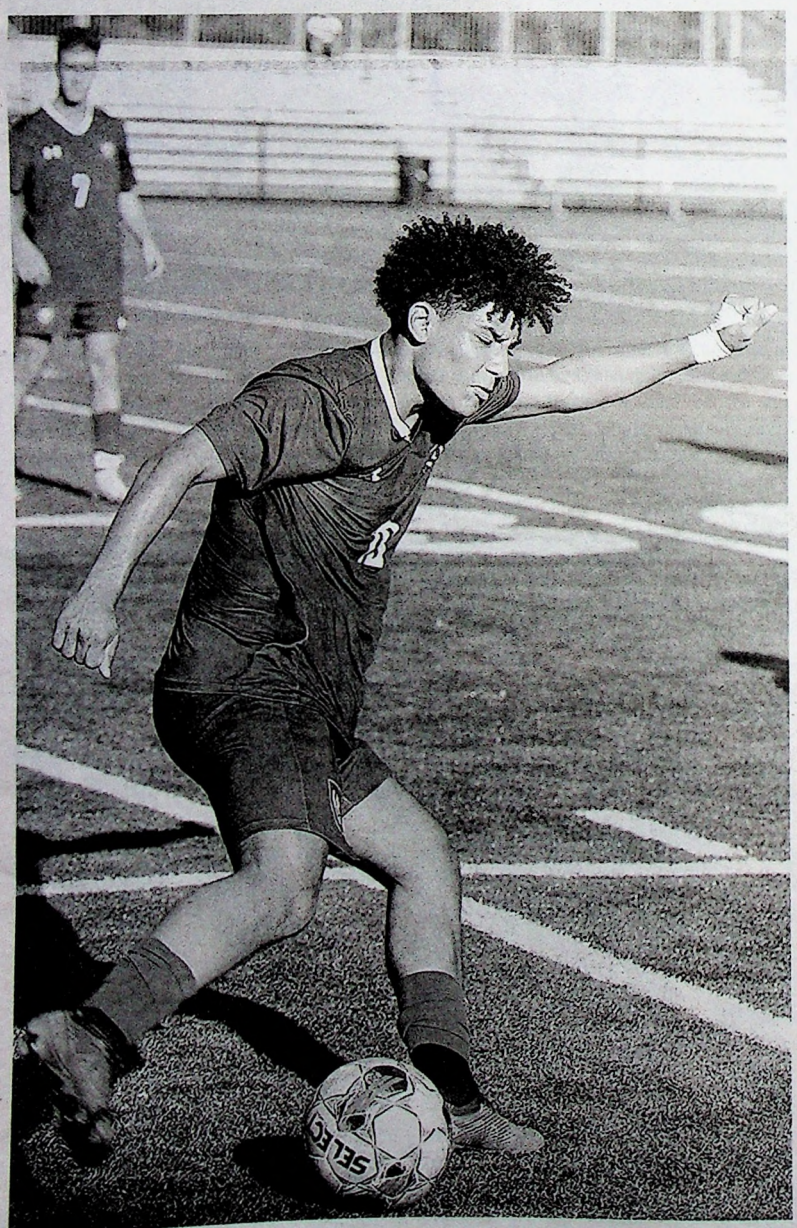
Quincy Vs. Hingham Boys' Soccer

QUINCY SOPHOMORE Klevi Vojkollari tangles with a Hingham defender in the Presidents' 3-0 loss to the Harbormen Sept. 21 at Veterans' Memorial Stadium. The Presidents host Marshfield today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. at the stadium. *Quincy Sun Photos/Robert Bosworth*

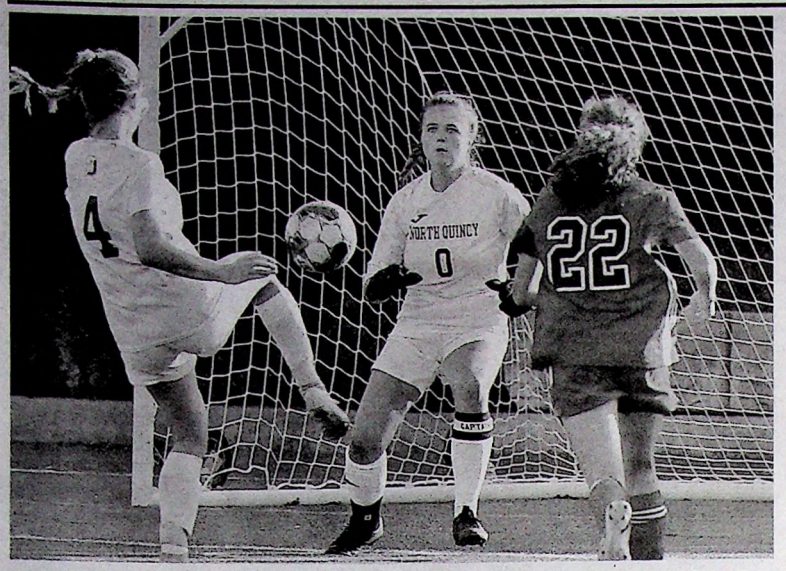


QUINCY JUNIOR GOALKEEPER Jack Reilly makes a save against the Hingham Harbormen Sept. 21 at Veterans' Memorial Stadium.

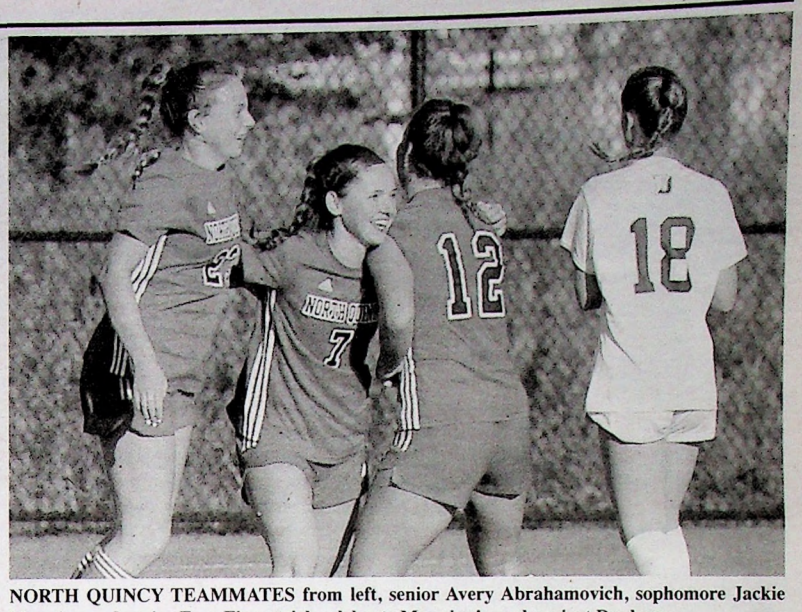


QUINCY SOPHOMORE Khaio Pellegrini controls the ball along the sideline in the Presidents' game against the Hingham Harbormen Sept. 21 at Veterans' Memorial Stadium.

QUINCY SENIOR Declan Rogers and a Hingham opponent battle for possession in the Presidents' 3-0 loss to the Harbormen Sept. 21.



NORTH QUINCY SENIOR goalie Lucy McLaughlin, center, gets in front of a kick by Duxbury's Megan Carney, left. The Raiders and Dragons tied 1-1 in a game played Sept. 21 at Creedon Field.



NORTH QUINCY TEAMMATES from left, senior Avery Abrahamovich, sophomore Jackie Manning and senior Faye Fitzpatrick celebrate Manning's goal against Duxbury.

Quincy Sun photos/Tom Gorman

Manning's Goal Gives Raiders 1-1 Tie Against Duxbury

By TOM JOYCE

Both sides played hard, but neither team came out on top.

The North Quincy High girls' soccer team had a highly competitive match against the Duxbury Dragons at Creedon Field in North Quincy Sept. 21.

While both sides found the back of the net and played tough defense, neither could get an edge over the other team. As a result, the Raiders tied Duxbury 1-1, picking up a point in the standings. With the tie, the Raiders moved to 0-2-3 on the season. It was the team's third tie of the season through five games played.

Duxbury took an early lead, and the Raiders had to recover from the deficit.

Duxbury went up 1-0 with 25:49 remaining in the first half, capitalizing on a penalty shot. A penalty against the Raiders set up the opportunity, and a Duxbury player delivered the game's first goal. She rolled the ball to the far-left side of the net on the kick, past the reach of the opposing goalkeeper.

Duxbury protected that lead for more than 20 minutes. It looked like the team might go into halftime with a 1-0 edge, but the Raiders did not let that happen.

The Raiders scored with about two-and-a-half minutes left in the first half after successfully inbounding the ball. A Duxbury defender covering senior defender/midfielder Nina Smith headed the ball away from her opponent but in a more favorable position for the Raiders.

A Duxbury player fielded the ball off her chest but failed to connect with the ball with her foot when it reached the ground.

Sophomore forward and midfielder Jackie Manning capitalized on the situation. She kicked the ball forward as another Duxbury player unsuccessfully tried to stop her.

Manning capitalized on this breakaway as Duxbury players sprinted to try to catch up with her with no luck. She kicked the ball into the right side of the net as the opposing goalie fell to the ground while attempting to make the stop.

NORTH QUINCY SENIOR Paige Grippi, right, kicks the ball past Duxbury's Maddie Gage, left.

The two teams were tied at one apiece at halftime.

About 10 minutes into the second half, it looked like Duxbury might take the lead, but that never happened.

Around midfield, a Duxbury player stole the ball from a Raider and found herself on a fast break. However, the Raiders did not let this happen. Senior captain and goalkeeper Lucy McLaughlin, who was sharp all game, rushed out of the net and towards the Duxbury player. She made a sliding stop before the Duxbury player could get a competent shot on the net,

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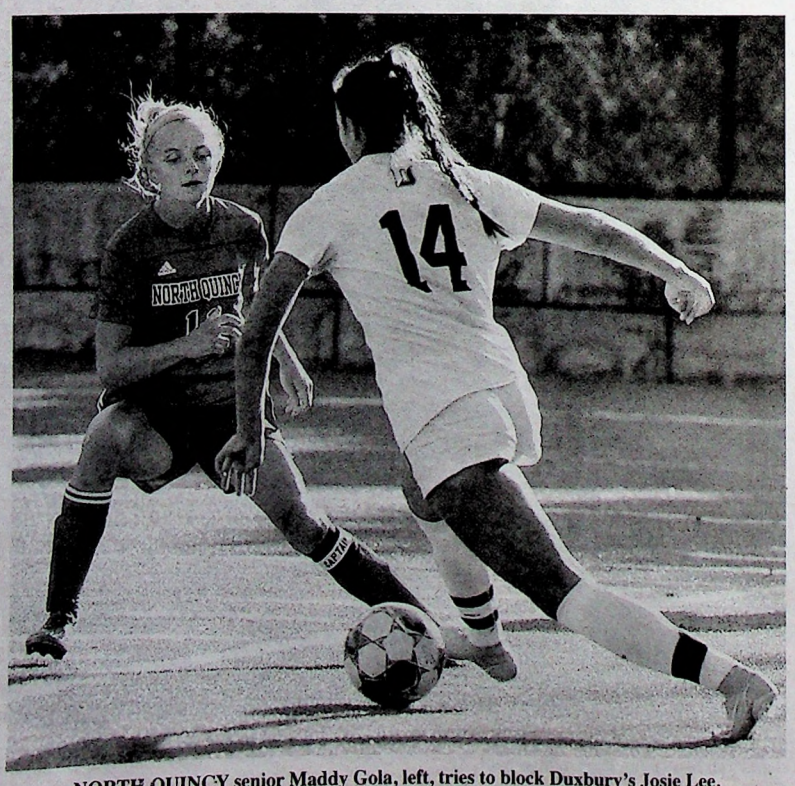
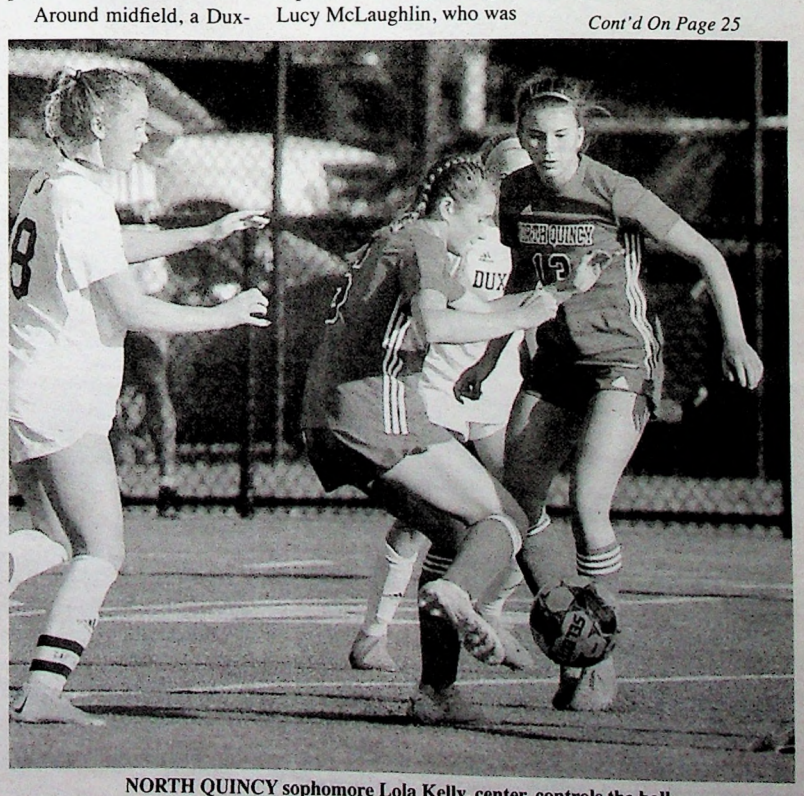
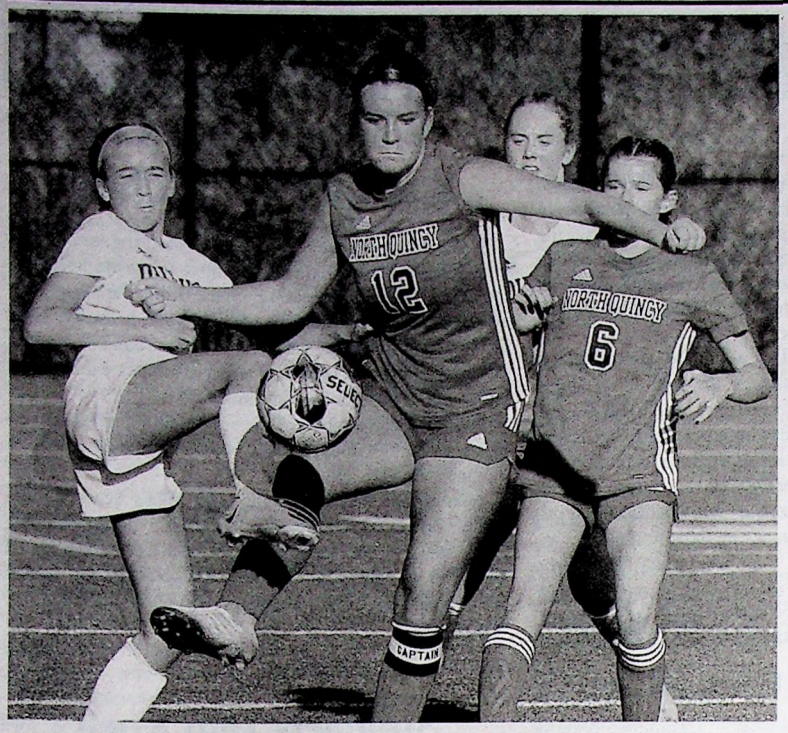


NORTH QUINCY senior Maddy Gola, left, tries to block Duxbury's Josie Lee.



NORTH QUINCY sophomore Lola Kelly, center, controls the ball.



NORTH QUINCY SENIOR Faye Fitzpatrick, center, tries to get control of the ball from Duxbury.
Quincy Sun photos/Tom Gorman

NORTH QUINCY sophomore Jackie Manning, dribbles past a Duxbury defender.

Manning's Goal Gives Raiders 1-1 Tie Against Duxbury

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neutralizing the threat. She then rushed back to the net in hopes of preventing another Duxbury goal.

Over the next couple of minutes, the Raiders had the ball in enemy territory, but they also could not score. Duxbury's goalkeeper quashed the threat, recovering the ball twice without facing a shot on net.

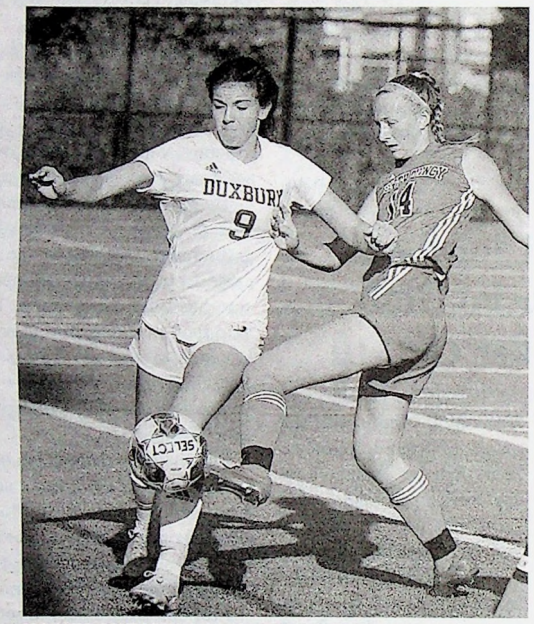
Additionally, the Raiders had a shot blocked by a Duxbury defender with about six minutes remaining. The block changed the shot's trajectory, so the opposing goalkeeper did not need to make a save to stop the Raiders from scoring.

The tie against Duxbury was the Raiders' second consecutive tie. They also tied the Quincy Presidents 2-2 at home on Saturday, September 16. Manning and senior midfielder Piper Henderson scored the two goals for the Raiders, while senior forward Grace Connor scored both goals for the Presidents in that bout.

The Raiders have an experienced team this season, with 13 seniors on the roster.

The roster for the Raiders this season includes: senior goalie Lucy McLaughlin, sophomore defender/midfielder Brooke Blahut, senior midfielder Megan Lyons, senior midfielder Paige Grippi, senior midfielder Kate Lyons, senior defender Molly Carroll, sophomore midfielder Lola Kelly, sophomore forward/midfielder Jackie Manning, senior midfielder Maddy O'Hara, freshman midfielder Maddie O'Donnell, freshman defender Elle Blaton, senior defender Maddy Gola, senior midfielder Faye Fitzpatrick, senior midfielder Piper Henderson, senior defender/midfielder Nina Smith, sophomore defender/midfielder Maddy McGillicudy, senior forward Grace McGough, junior defender Sascha Walsh, senior defender Grace Pickering, junior defender/midfielder Hannah Moriarty, senior forward Avery Abrahamovich, sophomore midfielder Harper Mergel, freshman forward/midfielder Gabby Linkiewicz, and sophomore goalie Sophia Edwards. Devon McKay-Grant is the team's head coach.

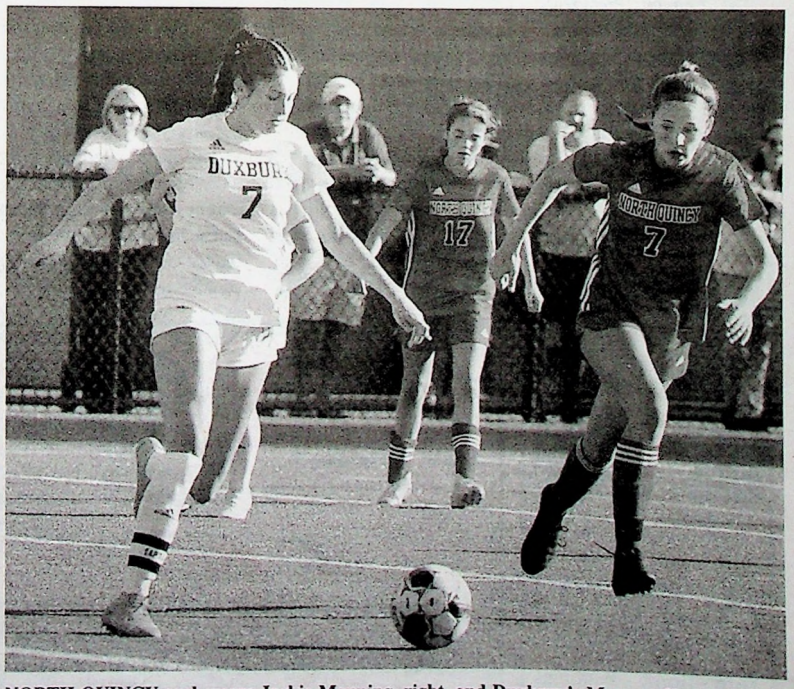
The next game for the Raiders will take place Thursday, Sept. 28, on the road against the Whitman-Hanson Panthers (6:30 p.m. start time).



NORTH QUINCY senior Nina Smith, right, kicks the ball past Duxbury's Maddie Gage, left.

NORTH QUINCY senior Piper Henderson, right, eyes a pass against Duxbury.

NORTH QUINCY freshman Maddie O'Donnell, right, and Duxbury's Morgan Cheverie, left, try to gain possession.



NORTH QUINCY sophomore Jackie Manning, right, and Duxbury's Morgan Cheverie, left, race for a loose ball. The Raiders and Dragons tied 1-1 Sept. 21 at Creedon Field.

Quincy Youth Hockey Association News

The Quincy Youth Arena has been buzzing and the players are excited to be back on the ice for the 2023/24 hockey season. We have numerous teams playing in three different leagues this season.

The Mite travel teams are playing in the Bay State Hockey League, Squirts, Peewees and Bantams are playing in the South Shore Conference, and QYH has five teams representing the "67's" in the PHL. Tryouts for all teams were held in March & April and we look forward to another great season of hockey!

QYHA will also be running our very popular Learn to Skate (LTS) and Learn to Play (LTP) programs all year long. LTS is for children that have no skating experience or have only skated a few times. Children will learn the basics during this program. LTP is for children that have "graduated" from the LTS program and are ready to learn some foundational skills of hockey. Lastly we will have an "advanced LTP" for kids who are ready to make the next jump into Mite House League or Mites.

On Sept. 30th the Quincy Mite House League we begin and is open to U6 and U8 players from Quincy and all surrounding cities and towns. The league Mission is for the kids to have FUN! There will be buzzer time-line changes and matched lines based on skill level. Cellys and smiles are required and games will be played Saturday mornings at Quincy Youth Arena at 8 a.m. or 9 a.m.

For additional information on any of our programs visit the Quincy Youth Hockey website or email us:

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Matt Gibbons, Director of Hockey at director@qyha.net

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Quincy Seniors Advance To BABL 52+ Semifinals

In the 52+ Colford Division of the Boston Amateur Baseball League (BABL), the Quincy Fours knocked off the feisty Hyde Park Pirates Sept. 20, 7-4. Behind a resilient defense, Steve Connolly went the distance for Quincy's eighth win in a row.

Offensively, and he's won a game on the mound and thrown runners out behind the plate this season, Chris Pugsley delivered three hits while Tim Baker, Ed Duff, and Ed Cameron chipped in with two hits. Quincy hosted Goodfellas Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m at Adams Field in a single elimination semifinal game.

https://www.leaguelineup.com/schedules.asp?url=babl03&divisionid=747839.

Q, NQ Football Teams Bow On The Road

The Quincy Presidents and North Quincy Raiders football teams will look to get back on the winning track this Friday after dropping road contests last Friday night.

Quincy lost its first game of the year bowing to Westwood, 35-14. The Presidents (2-1) will visit Braintree Friday at 6 p.m. and return to Veterans' Memorial Stadium Saturday, Oct. 7 for a 6 p.m. kick off against Pembroke.

North Quincy fell to 1-2 on the season after a 20-0 loss to Malden Catholic last Friday. The Raiders host Cohasset Friday at 7 p.m. at Veterans' Memorial Stadium.

In the Raiders' loss to the Lancers, senior wide receiver Nate Sampson had an interception plus 7 catches for 68 yards.

NQ senior fullback Ariel White had a fumble recovery, senior guard Noah Baker had a sack and senior linebacker Enhea Panariti added a tackle for loss.

READERS FORUM

Long Island And Hot Zones

Long Island has been designated an opportunity zone. That would make it likely that Boston could build more than a recovery center. More of an incentive to rebuild the bridge. The Coast Guard approved the proposed bridge based on current height standards. Due to climate warming, the ocean levels will rise thereby precluding some vessels from crossing under the bridge.

The present carbon dioxide level in the atmosphere is 421 parts per million. Incredibly, at the start of vertebrate life hundreds of millions of years ago it was at 4,000 ppm. Currently, one percent of the Earth's surface is in hot zones, areas where life is nearly impossible as in the Sahara Desert. It is projected that by 2070 that will rise to nineteen percent. The tropics will be unbearable. This will lead to an out migration that will make the current migration a trickle.

Peter Gleba
Quincy

Supports Kathy Hubley For School Committee

I support Kathy Hubley for School Committee because having had the pleasure of working with her during my time as former QPAC president, she was not only supportive, a wonderful listener and always present, but she helped get what was needed for students and families alike.

I have seen first hand what a wonderful cheerleader Kathy is for our students from their goals right through their achievements. She was a staple at every event we hosted as well as an active participant.

Kathy is passionate about creating an environment where every child will reach their full potential and thrive. I encourage you to consider voting for Kathy Hubley in November.

Cassandra Beck
Quincy

Rev. Shari Johnson Seaside Social Club Guest Speaker Oct. 10

The Seaside Social Club, Houghs Neck Congregational Church, 310 Manet Ave., Quincy, will welcome back the Rev. Shari Johnson as its guest on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 7 p.m.

Shari is a Reiki Master Teacher, a Psychic and a Medium. She is also the owner of Sacred Journeys. Shari will be explain how she works personally with spirit and will be doing a few mediumship demonstrations. She is always happy to answer any questions you have about the subject so feel free to bring questions about the topic which make you curious. The program is free and open to the public.

The club business meeting will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. and all members, and those women wishing to join, should plan to attend. Dues are just $20 for the year. The club membership is open to all women of the community.

READERS FORUM

Political Signs And Apartment Complexes

I was dismayed this past Saturday morning, seeing two men placing mayoral candidate signs along the Meadowbrook apartment complex on Furnace Brook Parkway. They almost positively do not live at or own the property, given their "casing-the-joint" nature of driving around at 3 miles-per-hour looking for their next target of land they don't own, but where a sign won't be questioned.

Had they taken a poll of the apartment complex tenants to see how they would vote? I'd be willing to bet a paycheck that they did not.

I understand that tiny men in large trucks' favorite thing in the world to do is bluster through life and doing whatever you want, but we live in a society, and there are rules. If you're in an apartment complex, it's best to know where your signs came from, whether you support the candidate or not.

Jim Ryan
Quincy

Supports Tom Koch For Mayor

Tom Koch came into office in 2008 with a vision of what Quincy could be, and assembled a team of experts in law, real estate, construction, and finance to put his vision into reality.

Assuming office in 2008, he had to navigate through the worst economic downturn in the U.S. since the Depressions. Using federal stimulus money, state grants and bonds to leverage financing, Koch got to work on Quincy's infrastructure, which dated back over 100 years. Fixing it was a necessary precursor to any large-scale transformation.

By 2015, the vision was taking shape with the first buildings in Quincy Center breaking ground. Shovels in the ground became cranes in the sky and finally new buildings arose from the extinct Shopperstown. Since then, his vision has truly taken shape. Taxes from the new buildings help fund the Quincy we now enjoy. From the Merrymount Fountain to Hancock Adams Common, Generals Park, and even the Town Brook pocket parks, he has shown his commitment to not only development, but smart development with Green Space.

Finally, the Adams Resting Places are in an appropriate setting. Pageant Field has a new facelift. Quincy (Quincy!) is now a destination Food Mecca, with dozens of establishments serving quality cuisine from many different cultures. City Hall was beautifully restored, and even the bell at the Church of the Presidents is ringing yet again.

I for one do not want to see this progress stopped. There is too much at stake. Let the Mayor finish the job, and we can celebrate Quincy's 400th anniversary in 2025 looking back at all that has been done to bring back the City of Presidents.

Tom Meade
Quincy

MORE LETTERS IN OCT. 5 ISSUE

7th Annual Norfolk Aggie Ram Run 5K Sunday

The Norfolk County Agricultural High School Boys & Girls Cross-Country Teams are hosting the 7th Annual Norfolk Aggie Ram Run 5K on Sunday, Oct. 1 at 10:30 a.m. at 400 Main St., Walpole.

Proceeds from the race will support both Cross Country Teams and Athletics at Norfolk Aggie High School.

Walk or run with your family and friends.

The race will be run on the Norfolk Aggie Cross Country course.

Water and bananas will be available to all participants.

For more information call 508-250-4923 or visit www.runreg.com/aggie-ram-trail-run-5k-2023.

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Nonagenarian War Veteran Asks About Extra Credit For His Service

By RUSSELL GLOOR
National Social Security Advisor at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Social Security Matters

Dear Rusty: I'm turning 95 this year and am caretaker for my wife in our 70th year of marriage. I served before 1968 (1951-53) during the Korean War. How do the "special extra credits for military service" work for me? Is it retro-active? My wife, who only worked a short time, gets half of my Social Security so would it affect hers, too? **Signed:** ***Korean War Veteran***

Dear War Veteran: First, I want to express my gratitude for your war-time service to our country and I also applaud your 70 years of marriage. Thank you, and congratulations!

Regarding the "special extra credit" for military service, Social Security FICA taxes weren't withheld from military pay prior to 1957 so you didn't pay Social Security payroll taxes (FICA) from your military earnings during the years you served. As a result, Social Security would have no record of your military earnings during those 1951-1953 service years. But when you claimed Social Security later in life they would have asked if you served in the military and given you "special extra credit" in the form of presumed earnings for your service years. They likely would have asked for a copy of your DD-214 and would have added $160 to your earnings record for each active duty month during those 1951-1953 years. Note they do not give you an extra amount of Social Security; rather, for benefit computation purposes, they reflect your earnings for those years a bit higher than are shown in your earnings record (which would likely show zero for your service years). For example, if you served 12 months active duty in 1952, when your Social Security benefit was calculated they would consider your 1952 earnings as $1,920 ($160 x 12), instead of the zero shown in your record because you didn't actually pay FICA tax on your military pay. But whether those extra earnings credits would have any effect on your Social Security benefit is a separate item.

Assuming you had earnings from regular employment over your lifetime and paid into Social Security from those non-military earnings, you became eligible for Social Security benefits from earnings outside of your military service. If you worked and earned a decent salary for at least 35 years, then those special extra credits for your military service years would have no effect on your Social Security benefit. If you had less than 35 years of regular non-military employment, then those extra earnings added for your military service years counted and provided you with a slightly higher Social Security benefit when you claimed.

So, the bottom line is this: if, over your lifetime, you worked for at least 35 years paying into Social Security via FICA payroll or self-employment tax, then the "special extra credits" for your military service years had no effect on your Social Security benefit. But if you worked less than 35 years in which SS taxes were withheld from your earnings, then those "special extra credits for military service" contributed to and increased your Social Security benefit when you claimed. However, even if you worked for over 35 years outside of the military and the extra credits didn't matter for your Social Security benefit, your service to our country did, indeed, matter a great deal. From one veteran to another, thank you again for your service to our country.

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Thursday, September 28
6:00pm: Bethany Congregational Church
7:00pm: LIVE: Quincy Dems Candidates Night

Friday, September 29
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
7:00pm: LIVE: QHS vs. Cohasset Football

Saturday, September 30
12:00pm: QATV's Mayoral Debate 9/25
8:30pm: Quincy Dems Candidates Night

Sunday, October 1
11:30am: Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, October 2
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
8:00pm: QHS vs. Cohasset Football 9/28

Tuesday, October 3
7-9:10am: LIVE: AM Quincy w/Joe Catalano
7:30pm: AM Quincy: Roll Hats Weekend

Wednesday, October 4
6:00pm: Good News
7:00pm: The Call

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Thursday September 28
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 9/26
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 9/26

Friday September 29
10:30am: Health Links
9:00pm: In Concert: Charles River Sinfonietta

Saturday/Sunday, September 30 & October 1
9:30am: For Your Health
10:30am: Quncy Rec: Project Bigfoot
2:30pm: In Concert: Charles River Sinfonietta
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 9/26
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 9/26
7:00pm: MA House of Representatives

Monday October 2
1:30pm: TCPL Presents
3:00pm: Concerts @the Crane: Roman Rudnytsky
6:30pm: LIVE: City Council

Tuesday October 3
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 9/26
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Wednesday October 4
7:00pm: City Council 10/2

Programming is subject to change.
For a complete list of programs, please visit our website at qatv.org

BBB Tip: How Scammers Use Social Media Platforms

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accounts. Other schemes repurpose stolen pictures of disasters or are taken out of context, asking for donations by relying on the goodness of strangers and their emotional reactions to a fabricated situation.

Facebook users are also encouraged to be mindful of the information they provide while answering popular social media quizzes and consider what the company creating the quiz does with the information provided. Take a moment to review what permissions and information you are granting a website to get from your account if you are asked to link your account when sharing results from a quiz.

Report Facebook scams to the platform to help prevent these tactics from being used.

Instagram

With a focus on visually engaging content, scammers use Instagram to showcase fabricated projects or results. Often, unethical contractors will steal photos of projects completed by reputable businesses and pass them off as their own. This tactic is also used by fraudulent or impersonated fitness and health influencers who provide before and after pictures of people who supposedly used a promoted product or program. In many cases, health products and programs are advertised as subscription-based services that mislead consumers about the fitness results they can expect, the total cost of the service, or additional fees for canceling the subscription.

Users should also be wary of romance scams originating from an Instagram account, especially if the romantic interest directs the user to an investment or cryptocurrency opportunity. A romance scammer may often spend weeks or months talking with a potential target to build trust before enacting their scheme. Often, this takes the form of a request for money to help with travel costs to visit or due to a made-up emergency, like a hospital bill or mortgage payment.

Report Instagram scams to the platform to help prevent these tactics from being used.

TikTok

Extremely popular among younger audiences, scammers use TikTok to position themselves as experts in emerging markets, enticing young adults. This platform is also commonly used in online purchase scams to show consumers the benefits and uses of a product that, when purchased, is never received. With an emphasis on short-form video content, scammers create engaging and visually appealing promotional material to direct users to an online marketplace that is unsecured or designed to retain banking information, compromising victims' accounts.

Additionally, TikTok scammers often attempt to distinguish themselves as online influencers by posting updates showing bundles of cash they claim to have made by following their system – particularly regarding investments and cryptocurrencies. Other issues include health and fitness programs that 'guarantee' results, including fake before and after photos of people who followed the system, and the use of deepfake technology to manufacture endorsements.

Report TikTok scams to the platform to help prevent these tactics from being used.

X (Twitter)

Impersonation is one of the most common tactics used on the social media platform X (formerly known as Twitter), with a greater emphasis on approaches that seem custom-made for the victim than on other platforms. Scammers take notice of the types of conversations a target has on the platform and use that information by providing various opportunities or products that appeal to that person.

Often, people turn to X when they want their voice to be heard, and scammers use this desire to direct victims to a website that appears to be a survey. In reality, the website and survey are parts of a sophisticated phishing scam, and the personal information provided can give the answers to an account's security questions or place the user at an increased risk of experiencing identity theft. Alternatively, people who share personal details about themselves on an open account may accidentally provide the information needed to answer a security question.

Report X scams to the platform to help prevent these tactics from being used.

How to Avoid Scams On social Media

Be wary of impersonation and compromised accounts. Any account can become compromised and used to disguise a scammer, including businesses. If receiving a private message from a social media friend that includes a link, take a moment to think before immediately clicking on it. How well do you know this person, and does the message seem out of character? If they offer a once-in-a-lifetime investment opportunity, why would they come to you with this chance, and are they usually active in this scene? What policies does this business have regarding the type of personal information they will ask for through email or a survey? Trust in your intuition, and if something doesn't seem right, verify directly with that person or business through another contact method. Read more on impostor scams.

Shop safely online. Online purchase scams are the riskiest scam encountered by North American consumers, and social media is a prime location for scammers to reach the public. Be wary of too-good-to-be-true deals, especially for name-brand products, that only accept payment through gift cards, a wire transfer, or an unprotected mobile app transaction. BBB recommends using a credit card for all online purchases since it is often easier to dispute or remove charges for products that are not received than other payment methods. Be careful of inputting bank account information on any website that is not secure.

Set your profile to private. Scammers can use open-source information to narrow down answers to security questions, impersonate family members, and customize outreach efforts to their victim's interests. Setting your profile to private can prevent this information from being readily available and can protect your identity, and that of your family members, from being compromised.

Be mindful of what you share. Social media is a great way to provide friends and family with life updates, but oversharing information can have negative consequences, especially when provided in public groups. For example, a common security question is 'What was your first job?' which you may accidentally answer with a social media post, if a scammer goes back into your posts far enough. Additionally, while you may be excited about the week-long family vacation you are about to go on, posting about it lets everyone know that your house will be empty for a week, and scammers may decide to use your address for various schemes while you are gone.

For more information

Visit BBB's social media scams resource hub for more information about how to identify and avoid these and other scam tactics. For more tips about how to spot and avoid scams, visit BBB.org/SpotAScam.

October Children's Events, Activities At Crane Library

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We'll announce our route before we leave the children's room and families with strollers or mobility assistance devices can join us on each floor via the elevator.

Children of all ages are welcome, babies through middle school!

Registration for Fall Session 2 programs

Weekday morning storytimes for ages 4 months to 5 and Storylab for ages 4-8 will begin on Monday, Nov. 13th. **Mother Goose and Chickadees programs will require registration.** Please check the Thomas Crane Public Library website for details.

Registration for programs begins on Tuesday, Oct. 31st at 9 a.m. online at thomascranelibrary.org, by phone at 617-376- 1300 ext. 4 or in person at the Main Library Children's Room.

Fall Session 2 Program Schedules

Fall storytime programs begin on Monday, Nov. 13th Registration is required for some programs. Registration is limited to Quincy residents and children must be the correct age by the start of the program.

ABC Storytime @North Quincy for ages 3-5
Mondays 11/13, 11/20, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11 at 10 a.m.

StoryLab – Earth Science @Wollaston ages 4-8
Mondays 11/13, 11/20, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11 at 3 p.m.

Mother Goose Storytime for ages 12-23 months
Tuesdays 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12 at 10 a.m. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Toddler Storytime @Adams Shore for ages 2-3
Tuesdays 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12 at 10 a.m.

Singing Storytime for ages 2-5
Wednesdays 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13 at 10 a.m.

Rock-a-bye Baby Storytime for ages 4-11 months
Thursdays 11/16, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14 at 9:30 am

Mother Goose Storytime for ages 12-23 months
Thursdays at 11/16, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14 11 a.m. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Questions? Stop by or call the Children's Room at 617-376-1300 x4 and ask for Mrs. Miller.

All programs sponsored and supported by the Friends of the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Mount Wollaston Cemetery Veterans Section To Be Renovated

Families Asked To Not Plant Fall Flowers, Place Items At Graves

Mayor Thomas P. Koch announces the Veterans' Section at Mount Wollaston Cemetery will undergo renovations as part of the ongoing improvements to the cemetery. The section will be regraded, sodded, and markers will be reset to the proper grade.

In anticipation of the work, families are asked to not plant fall flowers or place items at the graves.

Mount Wollaston Cemetery is undergoing renovations at the Sea Street entrance that involves a new entrance way and a realignment of the war monuments in the veterans' section.

New flagpoles are being installed and historic cannons have been refurbished. Next spring, a new monument honoring those from Quincy that have served from the Gulf War to present day will be installed and dedicated.

"It is important that we honor and remember our deceased veterans with the utmost respect," Koch said. "Many of the markers in the veterans' section have settled and need to be reset. The grades also change over time with the settling and we are aiming to improve that as well. Once the grades are set, the markers will be reset flush, and sod will be planted. I am certain that it will look nice when completed and it will pay the proper respects to those that have served our great country."

"We are seeking cooperation from families of the deceased while we undertake this necessary renovation of the veterans' section," said Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy. "We ask that you avoid any plantings or artifacts at the gravesite that will have to be removed during the work. I appreciate everyone's cooperation as we work to make this hallowed ground even more beautiful."

PUBLIC NOTICE **PUBLIC NOTICE**

PUBLIC NOTICE
2023 – 096

Presently pending in the Ordinance Committee of the Quincy City Council to be passed at a later date:

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Quincy Municipal Code is hereby amended in Chapter 375 – Zoning , as follows: By adding a new special district to Section 8.0 SPECIAL DISTRICTS to be known and designated as "SENIOR HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT (Section 8.6)"; and, further, by adding the following sections thereto:

8.6 SENIOR HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT

8.6.1 Purpose

The purpose of the Senior Housing Overlay District is to encourage the development of housing opportunities available to senior residents within the City of Quincy, with particular focus on residents who have lived and raised their families in Quincy and now find themselves unable to afford to remain in the city. This Overlay District is created in accordance with the provisions of the Quincy Housing Production Plan and the mandate of G.L. c. 40R, by increasing the amount of land available for the creation of dense residential housing and to:

A. Provide housing for the benefit of senior citizens in order to meet the goal of preserving municipal character and diversity; and

B. Allow aging residents to have housing opportunities within the City of Quincy; and

C. Provide a wider range of housing choices within the City both for the community at large and the senior community.

8.6.2 Senior housing development

A "Senior housing development" shall consist of independent housing units designed for persons who have attained the of age 55 or over within the meaning of Massachusetts and Federal law, with the requirement that each housing unit shall be occupied by at least one person 55 years of age or older – with the exception that in no event shall a temporary or permanent occupancy for a period in excess of fourteen (14) days by any person who has not attained the age of fifty five (55) years, whether related or not, be permitted. The spouse of a qualified resident shall be exempted from the age restriction imposed in this ordinance. In the event of the death of the qualifying occupant(s) of a unit, or foreclosure or other involuntary transfer of a unit in a senior housing development, a two-year exemption shall be allowed for the transfer the occupancy of the unit to another eligible household. A senior housing development does not include a nursing home or hospital.

8.6.3 Applicability.

This Senior Housing Overlay Article applies to property placed within the Senior Housing Overlay District and shall include the following parcels of land situated in the Wollaston section of Quincy as described below. Additional parcels of land may be added from time to time by vote of the City Council:

A. The land on the easterly side of East Elm Avenue and southerly side of Wendell Avenue depicted on Assessor's Map 5049 as Block 53, Lot 362, and on Assessor's Map 5051 as Block 44; the land on the northerly side of Wendell Avenue and the westerly side of Sachem Street depicted on Assessor's Map 5056 as Block 138, Lot 366; the land on the easterly side of Sachem Street and the northerly side of Wendell Avenue depicted on Assessor's Map 5056 as Block 152, Lot 24; and, the land on the southerly side of Wendell Avenue and the easterly side of Waterston Avenue depicted on Assessor's Map 5072H as Block 35, Lot 790. The Senior Housing Overlay District is hereby established as an overlay district.

8.6.4 Site Plan Review.

All uses and all structures within the Senior Housing Overlay District shall require site plan review. When the proposed change, addition, alteration or renovation is less than 20% of the gross square foot area of an existing structure or less than 5,000 square feet of floor area or lot area, whichever is less, site plan review shall not be required.

8.6.5 Special Permit Granting Authority.

The Quincy Planning Board is hereby designated the special permit granting authority for all matters within the Senior Housing Overlay Districts The Planning Board is authorized to approve or disapprove:

1. All special permits for uses;
2. All site plans;
3. All applications seeking a finding pursuant to G. L. c. 40A, § 6; and
4. All special permits for a use or structure in relation to any related matter, such as application of the Flood Plain Overlay District, or such other requirements as may be applicable.

8.6.6 Dimensional Requirements.

Within the District, the following dimensional requirements shall apply:

1. Minimum Lot Area per Dwelling Unit (sq. ft.) 500
2. Maximum Number of Stories – 3

8.6.7 Off-Street Parking.

For purposes of these requirements, a residential studio unit and each room in a lodging house shall be considered to be a one-bedroom dwelling unit. Off-street parking facilities in the Senior Housing Overlay District shall be provided as follows:

1. Residential: Min. Number of Parking spaces Per Bedroom Within Dwelling Unit Where 80% or More of Building Gross Floor Area is Residential 1.0
2. Assembly One Space per 10 seats
3. Institutional One Space per 2,000 square feet of gross floor area.

8.6.8 Special Permit and Site Plan Approval Criteria.

The Planning Board shall not approve a special permit or site plan unless it finds that all of the following additional criteria are met:

1. The Planning Board has adopted the Quincy Housing Production Plan, dated April 2016 and as may be amended, which shall be used in implementing this subsection, until such time as the board devises specifically tailored guidelines for this district. Those guidelines shall be provided to every permit applicant seeking a permit or site plan approval within the Senior Housing Overlay District, who shall be required to show compliance with these guidelines as part of any application. The Planning Board shall include as a part of any permit decision a statement addressing compliance issues with these guidelines.

2. For mixed-use projects in the Senior Housing Overlay District, the applicant must establish that the proposed uses are to be located with structure(s) in a manner that promotes ease of use and access, and consistency with the surrounding uses/architecture; e.g., retail uses should front onto a street, new housing shall be consistent with any adjacent existing residential use in terms of density, style of architecture, etc.

3. Any development within the Senior Housing Overlay District should be pedestrian friendly, as the development of the Senior Housing Overlay District will be enhanced to the extent such development involves limited vehicular access; and, should be consonant with the development goals for the district. Indicators of compliance with this criterion include

a. Ground floors, particularly where they have public streets, public parks, and publicly accessible pathways, consist of spaces that are actively inhabited by people but in all cases related to the base, residential use of the property. Where a mix of activities are accommodated in a building, the more active uses are encouraged facing public streets, parks and pathways.

b. Covered parking on the lower floors of a building and on-grade open parking, shall be discouraged where the parking faces a public street, public park, or publicly accessible pathways.

c. Entries to buildings shall be located so as to ensure safe pedestrian movement across streets, encourage walking as a preferred mode of travel within the Property. Relating building entries as directly as possible to crosswalks and to pathways that lead; buildings shall be located and developed to encourage pedestrian pathways over the lot and through the District.

4. The common areas both internal and external shall, where appropriate, be accessible to the pedestrian public. Restrictions on this access can be established by the applicant or its successor in interest.

5. The location, dimensional and aesthetic features of the proposed development shall not be detrimental to the architectural character of existing buildings and homes in the abutting neighborhood; shall be consistent with the character of Senior Housing Overlay; to the improvement of traffic access and circulation; and to the creation of active pedestrian and street life within the District.

6. There will be no nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians.

7. Adequate and appropriate facilities (including, but not limited to parking and loading) will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use. Said facilities shall be located and designed so as to be compatible with the abutting neighborhood.

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OBITUARIES

Edward W. Kenney, 70

Edward W. Kenney, age 70, a native of Houghs Neck, Quincy, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2023, after battling neurological problems for many years. He was affectionately known as "Eddie".

Born to Edward P. and Mildred Kemp Kenney, Eddie graduated from Quincy High/Vocational School with plans to pursue a career in plumbing. He worked for several plumbing companies before finding pride and contentment as a plumber for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts court system. He was known for generosity, often assisting friends and family with plumbing projects.

After retiring, Eddie and his wife Cathy moved to Florida. Following Cathy's passing in 2019, Eddie returned to Quincy, where he spent his remaining years.

In his leisure time, Eddie was highly active. When he wasn't helping loved ones, he enjoyed frequent trips to his favorite destination, Vermont, for downhill skiing. During the summer, he relished diving for lobsters with his buddy DJ Davis and playing golf with his brother Mike and friends. Eddie was a passionate sports fan, avidly following Boston teams, usually with his brothers and friends, while enjoying his favorite brew!

Eddie possessed an infectious sense of humor and a generous spirit that could light up a room. He was a great friend, an even better brother, and an exceptionally hard worker. All those who had the pleasure of

EDWARD W. KENNEY

knowing him will deeply feel his absence.

Eddie was the beloved husband of the late Catherine "Cathy" Tuffy Kenney, whom he married in 1978. He was the loving father of Patrick Kenney, a native of Brockton. Eddie was also the cherished brother of the late Michael "Mike" Kenney, survived by his wife Louise of Rutland, VT, and Richard "Dick" Kenney, and his partner Lisa Bois of Houghs Neck, Quincy, and Patricia "Patty" Lambert and her late husband Kevin of Wallingford, VT. He was also a loving brother-in-law to James Tuffy, his wife Kathy, sister-in-law Elaine Lantz, and Colleen Peterson and her husband Walter. Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive Eddie.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the graveside service on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at 10 a.m. at Pine Hill Cemetery in Quincy. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his name to the Massachusetts Humane Society, P.O. Box 850177 Braintree, MA 02185-0177.

Arrangements are under the direction of Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy.

Andrea 'Andy' Sandonato, 94

Andrea "Andy" Sandonato, age 94, a longtime resident of Quincy, died peacefully, Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023 in the comfort of his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Andrea was born in Prezza, Province of L'Aquila, Region of Abruzzo, Italy, to the late Pasquale and Giovanna (Pasqualone) Sandonato. Raised and educated there, he immigrated to the United States at the age of 19, settling in Boston's South End. He earned a civil engineering degree from the Wentworth Institute of Technology. He lived in Quincy for the past 70 years.

Andrea was a disabled veteran of the Korean War, having served as a Private Second Class in the United States Army with Company B, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Division.

Andrea was a general contractor who owned and operated two companies, Sandonato & Bogue and Courtland Construction, both based in Everett.

As a younger man, he was an avid tennis player and skier. Andrea also had a passion for golf and was a lifetime member of Presidents Golf Course in Quincy. He enjoyed tending to his beautiful vegetable garden.

Most of all, Andrea was devoted to his family, actively supporting their many activities and accomplishments.

Beloved husband for 68 years of Iolanda C. "Cristina" (Gentile) Sandonato.

Devoted father of Joanne S. Adams of Braintree and her late husband Steven, Rita Da Silva and her husband Carlos of Hingham, and the late Maria P. Sandonato.

ANDREA 'ANDY' SANDONATO

Loving grandfather of Nicole Hart and her husband Kim of Quincy, Cristina Adams of Weymouth, Andre Da Silva, and Edson Da Silva, both of Hingham.

Cherished great grandfather of Elsa and Steven Hart.

The last of three siblings, he was predeceased by Americo "Rico" Sandonato and Arnaldo Sandonato.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Monday, Sept. 25. Entombment, with military honors, was at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

Funeral arrangements were made by the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Andrea's memory may be made to Special Olympics Massachusetts, 512 Forest Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 or by visiting www.specialolympicsma.org.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Ivy Beatrice Macdonald, 88

Ivy Beatrice (Eddy) Macdonald left us on Aug. 21st after a brief and courageous battle with cancer. She was ready to fight for her life, but her opponent was fierce. Thankfully, she was blessed with 88 healthy years.

Ivy was so smart, so caring, and so dedicated to whatever was at hand. Family and friends meant everything to Ivy, and she was so loved by all who had the pleasure of meeting and knowing her. Ivy will be remembered as an amazing mother and grandmother, aunt, and friend.

Ivy was born in North Harbour, Placentia Bay, Newfoundland, Canada in December of 1934, the oldest of 11 children. Growing up in a remote fishing village surrounded by the ocean, nature, and family made for a perfect childhood.

Ivy began nursing training at age 16 after graduating from high school. As a nurse, she met her first husband, Bob Mann, an American soldier returning to the U.S. from being stationed in Germany, and moved with him to Massachusetts to start her married life. Ivy moved to a new country where she knew only one person. This same courage and bravery was on full display in the last few months of her life and was in no way surprising. She and Bob raised their seven children in Dorchester and Quincy. After she and Bob divorced, Ivy met her second husband, Don Macdonald, whom she married in 1972. Together, they had one more child.

Ivy was predeceased by her parents Heber and Lily, her first and second husbands, her son Robert Mann, daughter Donna Mann-Hurley, son Christopher Mann, sister Dora Eddy, brother Eric Eddy, and many other dear friends and family members.

Ivy is survived by five of her children: Steven Mann, David Mann, Debra Mann, Kenneth Mann

IVY BEATRICE MACDONALD

and his longtime girlfriend Sandra Curry, and Frank Macdonald and his wife Susan. She is also survived by her grandchildren Robert Mann and his wife Ashley, Michael Mann and his wife Ashley, Christopher Mann Jr., Martha and Frannie Macdonald, and her great-grandchildren Avery and Ryan Mann.

Ivy is survived by her dear sisters Nita, Vera, Anne, Evelyn, Jean, and Shirley and her loving brothers Ralph and Lloyd. She is survived by countless nieces, nephews, and grand-nieces and grand-nephews, in both Canada and the United States.

Ivy loved time spent with her family and friends, gardening, home improvement, the ocean, her church community, traveling to Newfoundland to see her family, music and singing, local sporting events, and the friendships she made as a result of all of these. Ivy's greatest joy in her most recent years was undoubtedly her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They were the light of her life.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a celebration of life at 3 p.m. on Oct. 7th at Quincy Community United Methodist Church, 40 Beale St. in Wollaston.

Funeral arrangements made by the Hamel-Lydon Chapel and Cremation Service of Massachusetts, 650 Hancock St., Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Ivy can be made to: Quincy Community United Methodist Church , 40 Beale St., Wollaston, MA 02170.

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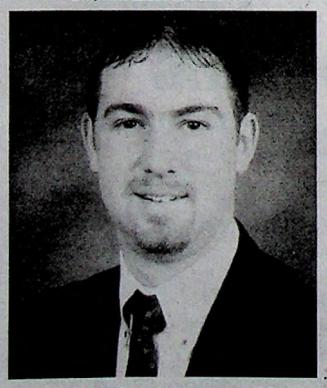

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Anne J. Clark

Anne J. (Reddy) Clark was born to Albert and Anna Reddy on March 6, 1932 in Boston, MA. She passed away on Sept. 14th surrounded by her loving family. Predeceased by her husband William, Anne leaves behind their beloved children William (Monica) Bonita Springs FL, Cynthia (Nigel Gaymond) of Milton and London, Susan (the late Peter McHugh) of Canton, Robert (Catherine) of Quincy, and Lisa of Milton.

Cherished grandmother "Nan" of Victoria Clark of Quincy, Dana Coakley (Patrick) of Braintree, Chelsea Kiley (William) of Quincy, Jonathan Gaymond of Milton, Cody Clark (Nicole Marks) of Walpole, Alison and Matthew McHugh of Canton. And dearly loved great grandmother of Emma Caulfield, Lars Gustafson, Brynn and Sean Coakley, Adelina Clark and Ava Kiley. She is predeceased by brothers Albert and

ANNE J. CLARK

Robert and leaves behind numerous dear nieces and nephews.

While raising her five children, Anne worked in the library and with the Vice Principals at Milton High School where she became a pillar of the administrative team. Meanwhile, she earned her undergraduate degree from Boston College and her Masters from Suffolk University. She went on to be a compassionate and engaged teacher of English and professional skills to high school and young adult students. She later served as a leader of the Milton Retired Teachers Association, Catholic Daughters, Girl Scouts, the Cunningham Bowling League, and ran the Milton Precinct 2 polling station for scores of state and local elections.

While Anne was a teacher and community leader, she took the most joy in being a mother and grandmother. With wisdom and quick-witted humor, she encouraged each of them to follow their own hearts and paths. She will be greatly missed.

Visiting hours were held Monday, Sept. 18, at the Alfred D. Thomas Funeral Home, 326 Granite Ave., Milton. A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday, Sept. 19, in St. Mary of the Hills Church, Milton. Burial in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Ralph W. Evans, Jr., 81

Ralph W. "Buddy" Evans, Jr., age 81, of Braintree, passed away, peacefully, Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2023 in the comfort of his home, after a brief illness.

Beloved husband for 45 years of Susan E. Himmelman.

Devoted son of the late Ralph W. and Mary F. (Riley) Evans.

Loving uncle of James L. Patterson and his wife Sandy of Southampton, and Laurie Ann Martin and her partner Michael McGill of Agawam.

Loving great uncle of Matthew Patterson and his wife Charlotte of Chelsea, and Brian Patterson of Easthampton.

He leaves behind many close friends made through his athletic connections and strong faith and devotion to the Catholic church.

Ralph enlisted in the United States Air Force immediately following high school and served as a physical conditions specialist to the 3320th Air Base Group in Amarillo, Texas. Following his honorable discharge as an Airman Second Class, he served in the United States Air Force Reserve for four years. Later in life, he achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Civil Air Patrol.

Ralph's love for athletics continued throughout his career. He worked at Boston University for seven years

RALPH W. "BUDDY" EVANS, JR.

in all phases of the Athletic Department, four years for the New York Giants, and two years for the Boston Patriots.

Ralph returned to school where he received his Bachelor degree from Bridgewater State, of which he was most proud. He continued throughout his career to take certification courses and attended numerous sports conferences to enhance his education in the athletic training field.

Ralph went on to work for the Boston Athletic Club, Bentley College, until he landed at Wentworth Institute working as one of their athletic trainers until his retirement. Still today he continues to be fondly remembered by former student athletes he helped over the years.

He also worked for the Brockton Rox and covered staffing at the triage tent at the Boston Marathon for many years. In retirement, he had a part-time job at General Auto Supply delivering parts. He truly enjoyed working there and his coworkers.

Ralph was an expert in all phases of sports and also especially on the history of the former Braves Field. And of course, all things Doris Day, corresponding with her personally over the years.

Visitation will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Thursday, Sept. 28, from 10 – 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 11:30 a.m. Interment, with military honors, to follow at Saint Mary Cemetery, Randolph.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ralph's memory may be made to Glastonbury Abbey, Attn: Abbot Thomas, 16 Hull Street, Hingham, MA 02043 (www.glastonburyabbey.org) or Doris Day Animal Foundation, 8033 Sunset Boulevard, Suite 845, Los Angeles, CA 90046 (www.dorisdayanimalfoundation.org).

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Florence A. 'Flo' Pellicane, 94

Florence A. "Flo" Pellicane of Norwell, formerly a longtime resident of Quincy, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2023, at the age of 94.

Born in Boston to the late Eva (Poluski) and Sebastian P. Urciuoli, Florence was raised in Stoughton. She graduated from Stoughton High School and shortly after graduating married Samuel J. Pellicane. The two soon started a family and moved to Quincy, where they lived together for over 60 years. Flo stayed home to raise their 4 daughters and later worked as a bookkeeper for the Pneumatic Scale Corp. until she retired.

Flo enjoyed spending time with her large extended family and hosting all the family's holiday celebrations. Flo and Sam enjoyed spending time together at the vacation home they built "Silver Birches." They took square dancing lessons and played cards with their longtime friends. The

FLORENCE A. 'FLO' PELLICANE

couple also found the time to volunteer and raise funds for the Renegades Drum and Bugle Corps of Quincy.

Beloved wife of 65 years to the late Samuel J. Pellicane. Loving mother to Antoinette Magee of Weymouth, the late Marie Conlin, Judy Brown and her husband Terry of Weymouth and Sandi Pellicane of Rockland. Cherished grandmother to Richard Michael Smith, John Fink, Danielle Sujdak, Alexander Brown, Brittany Brown, Peter John Coleran and Samuel Mitchell Coleran. Florence is also survived by 11 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren. Florence was predeceased by her sister, Patricia Morrissey and her brother, Robert Urciuoli.

Florence will be dearly missed by all those who knew her.

Visiting hours were held Monday, Sept. 25th, in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. A Celebration of Life Service was held in the funeral home on Tuesday, Sept. 26th, prior to the Funeral Mass in Holy Trinity Parish at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Quincy. Burial in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Florence may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

Madeline McCarthy, 89

Madeline McCarthy (Harding), 89, a life-long Quincy resident, died Sept. 19, 2023. She was the wife of the late Russell McCarthy.

A daughter of the late Ralph and Josephine (Grady) Steele, Madeline enjoyed big-band music, dancing, bingo and watching western movies. She especially relished the times spent with her family and friends.

Beloved mother of Stanley Harding of Quincy, Russell Harding and his wife Colleen Gokey-Harding of Hull, Cheryl Chobanian and her husband Mark of Randolph, Glenn Harding and his wife Michelle "Shelly" of Berkley, Michael Hard-

MADELINE McCARTHY

ing of Randolph and the late Richard and John Harding, the late James Harding and his surviving wife Jennifer of Taunton, and the late Michelle Loonie and her surviving husband Rich of Stoughton. Dear sister of the late: Ralph, Russell, Mary and Ginger Steele. Also survived by 19 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, cousins, extended family and dear friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Wednesday in St. John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy.

Burial was at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

Funeral arrangements were made by the Hamel-Lydon Funeral Home, 650 Hancock St., Quincy.

For more information or to leave condolence messages for the family please visit HamelLydon.com.

Pauline A. Sullivan, 90

Pauline Ann Sullivan, a lifelong resident of Quincy, passed away peacefully at South Shore Hospital surrounded by family after a long illness on Thursday, Sept. 21, 2023. She was 90 years old.

She was born in Quincy to Helen (Powers) and Fredrick Thornley. After graduating from North Quincy High School, Class of 1950, Pauline went on to take some secretarial courses. In her early 20's she met John L. Sullivan. They dated a couple of years while John was overseas in the Korean War upon his return they were married and started a family together in Quincy. In the early 1980's, Pauline returned to work and earned a position as a clerk at the South Postal Annex, she worked there for over 25 years.

In her spare time, she enjoyed reading, doing puzzles and watching murder mysteries, especially Jessica Fletcher's Murder She Wrote. She often took trips to the beach getting her Ber-

PAULINE A. SULLIVAN

muda tan! In her early years she loved spending a lot of time by the water.

Pauline was reserved but worked hard and had a quiet strength and resilience about her. No matter what she was facing in life she kept private and always kept her faith. She was very close with her siblings and loved spending time with family. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Beloved wife of 58 years to the late John L. Sullivan. Devoted mother to John Sullivan of Scituate, Mary Devine of Braintree and her late husband William, Robert Edward Sullivan of Quincy, and Paula Marie George and her husband Kevin of Dorchester. Loving sister to the late Arthur Thornley, the late Alice Tarbox and Sister Mary Joseph Augustine of South Boston. Cherished grandmother to Christina Pauline Mary George of Dorchester. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Wednesday, Sept. 27th, from 4-8 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the funeral home at 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28th, prior to the Funeral Mass in Sacred Heart Church, Quincy at 10:30 a.m. Burial in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Pauline may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

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AAA: Gasoline Prices Remain Same In MA

Regional gasoline prices, which have remained elevated in September thanks to oil prices surging above $90 a barrel, could finally be starting to cool on seasonal demand declines and the switchover to winter blend fuel.

According to AAA, the average gas price in Massachusetts is the same as last week ($3.77), averaging $3.77 per gallon. Monday's price is one cent higher than a month ago ($3.76), and 19 cents higher than Sept. 18, 2022 ($3.58). Massachusetts' average gas price is 7 cents lower than the national average.

"The national average recently dropped, which is typical for this time of year and we're starting to see similar forces affecting pump prices in the Northeast," said Mark Schieldrop, Senior Spokesperson for AAA Northeast. "Prices typically fall this time of year as demand decreases and refiners switch to producing less-expensive winter blend gasoline. But the seasonal decline is being slowed this year by higher oil costs and extensive refinery downtime affecting our region."

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE STR 23-7

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Pelin Terim for a Special Permit to operate a short-term rental business in accordance with Quincy Municipal Code 196-14 - Short-Term Residential Rentals on the premises numbered 266 GRANITE STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

9/21/23, 9/28/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE STR 23-10

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Dinh Thi Vu for a Special Permit to operate a short-term rental business in accordance with Quincy Municipal Code 196-14 - Short-Term Residential Rentals on the premises numbered 383 WATER STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

9/21/23, 9/28/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE NO. ZBA-23-54

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169, on the application of Jack P. Milgram for a Variance and Special Permit/Flood Plain to construct a single family home on the existing open lot in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance, Sections 4.1.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements (Conformance), 4.1.2(5) Notes to Table (Height), 5.1.4(1) Off-Street Parking (Setbacks-Exceeds Width) and 8.1.9 Flood Plain Overlay District-Special Permit, on the premises numbered 54 SPRING STREET, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

9/21/23, 9/28/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE NO. ZBA-23-66

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169, on the application of Manuel Paiva for a Variance to demolish the existing structure and build a new two-story single family home with a two-vehicle garage, a ten foot deck and a six foot balcony in the same footprint in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance, Sections 4.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements (Setbacks) and 5.1.4(1) Off-Street Parking (Setbacks-Width exceeds twenty feet) on the premises numbered 108 ALBATROSS ROAD, QUINCY.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

9/21/23, 9/28/23

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Docket No. NO11P2909EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
Margaret A. Scribner Keleher
Also known as:
Margaret A. Keleher
Date of Death:
09/04/2011

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Kathleen R. Keleher** of **Roslindale, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, a determination of testacy and heirs at law, 1st Account and 2nd Account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 10/11/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 20, 2023
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

9/28/23

World Communion Sunday At Quincy Point Congregational

Quincy Point Congregational Church, 444 Washington St., Quincy, invites the public to celebrate World Communion Sunday on Oct. 1 at the 10 a.m. worship service.

During this special occasion, the church will delve into the theme of how "God works within us" by examining the misconception of separation, exploring the concept of denominationalism, questioning the significance of these differences, and considering ways to unite ourselves.

After the worship service, all are invited to gather for a time of fellowship, light refreshments and conversation in the downstairs Social Hall.

Also, mark your calendars for Dec. 1 and Dec. 2 for the Coastal Christmas Fair, which will support both the New England Aquarium Sea Turtle Hospital and Interfaith Social Services. The church is currently seeking donations of gently used jewelry and new or gently used children's books. If you can contribute, contact the church at 617-773-6424 or email office@quincypointcong.org to arrange a drop-off. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

QPCC wants everyone to feel welcome, and the church building is fully accessible via the Abbey Road entrance. There's designated accessible parking, an elevator, and an "All Access" rest room to accommodate everyone. If attending in person isn't possible, you can still be part of the worship service by tuning in to the live stream at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Additionally, past live streams are available on our website (quincypointcong.org), as well as on the church's Facebook, Vimeo, and YouTube pages.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Docket No. NO00P0768AD2
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
Alice E. Scribner
Date of Death:
02/27/2000

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Kathleen Keleher** of **Roslindale, MA** and **Jeremy A. Scribner** of **Quincy, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a determination of testacy and heirs at law, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & Final and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 19, 2023
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

9/28/23

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Docket No. NO00P0769AD2
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
John A. Scribner, Jr.
Date of Death:
10/18/1982

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Kathleen R. Keleher** of **Roslindale, MA** and **Jeremy A. Scribner** of **Quincy, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a determination of testacy and heirs at law, 1st, 2nd and final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 10/11/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 19, 2023
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
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LEGAL NOTICE

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. NO23P2189EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Division
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
Maureen Patricia Kroll
Also Known As:
Maureen Kroll
Date of Death:
06/27/2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner **Jeffrey E. Lothrop** of **Quincy, MA.**

Jeffrey E. Lothrop of **Quincy, MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

9/28/23

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Need more information? *Call 617-471-3100*

OBITUARY

Faye A. Spooner, 87

FAYE A. SPOONER

Faye A. (Patenaude-Tappa) Spooner, age 87, a former longtime resident of Weymouth, died peacefully, Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023 at Harbor House Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Hingham, in the comfort of her loving family.

Faye was born in Rumford, Maine, to the late George and Josephine (Palleschi) Patenaude. Raised and educated in Quincy, she was a graduate of North Quincy High School, Class of 1953. She lived in Weymouth for 30 years, previously in Quincy.

She was proud to have served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the mid-1950s.

Faye was employed at the former Alumni Café in Quincy for over 35 years and later worked in food service at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth for ten years before retiring.

She was devoted to her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Beloved mother of Charles Tappa of Braintree, Kevin P. Tappa of Hampton, N.H., and Hope C. Spooner-King of Braintree.

Loving grandmother of Marc Tappa and his wife Cheryl of Whitman, Jessica Baker and her husband BJ of Mesa, Ariz.

Cherished great grandmother of Zacory, Benjamin, Gabriella, James, Daniel, and Will.

One of six siblings, Faye was the sister of Carole Merritt and Gary Patenaude, and was predeceased by George Patenaude, Jr., Lois Otis, and Robert Patenaude. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their families.

Visiting hours will be held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave., Quincy, on Sunday, Oct. 1, from 2 – 4 p.m. Funeral Services will be conducted at the conclusion of the wake, promptly at 4 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

On Monday, Oct. 2, there will be a gathering at the funeral home from 10 – 10:30 a.m. Following this gathering, a procession will take place to Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree, for her interment, with military honors.

For those who wish, donations in Faye's memory may be made to The Jimmy Fund, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 or to Beacon Hospice Care, 32 Resnik Road, Unit 3, Plymouth, MA 02360.

You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Local Artist Featured At MPL Exhibit, Reception Oct. 3

From Oct. 2-31, the Milton Public Library will host the work of a talented local artist in the library's Wotiz Gallery.

This display will show paintings by prolific painter Zofia B. Knowles and will include many landscapes including beach scenes, images of people, and more. These works express Knowles' interpretation of travel visually, in an exhibit called: "My Favorite Places and People There." This artist works with acrylics and her paintings are colorful, somewhat whimsical at times.

Knowles was born in a camp for displaced people in Bielawa, Poland. She lived between Israel and Poland until 1963 when she emigrated to the United States and she has been painting ever since!

Her background includes many years teaching in the Boston Public Schools and a career working at architectural firms in the Boston area. Knowles holds a Masters in Education from Cambridge College, a Bachelor's of Architecture from the Boston Architectural Center, and a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Tufts University's Boston Museum School.

There will be a free and open reception held in the gallery on Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 6-8 p.m. Stop by, meet the artist and view her lovely work.

For questions about the library's monthly exhibits and to learn how to apply for one, email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Department at (617) 898-4964.

The Milton Public Library is located at 476 Canton Ave., Milton.

QFD Retirement Banquet Oct. 3

The Quincy Fire Department, IAFF Local 792 will hold its annual retirement banquet on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at Florian Hall, 55 Hallet St., Boston.

Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 7 p.m.

This year's honorees are:

Deputy Chief Kevin P. Bythrow, Master Mechanic Michael D. O'Connor and Firefighter Thomas F. Bambery. All active and retired members are invited to attend and honor the careers of these members.

The department extends congratulations to this year's retirees and their dedicated years of service to the residents of Quincy.

Mike's 5K Road Race Oct. 14

Mike's 5K Road Race to Crush Substance Abuse will take place Saturday, Oct. 14 in Milton.

Started in 2017, this annual 5K walk and run raises money for substance use disorder prevention and treatment programs benefitting a variety of organizations including the Milton Coalition, Bay State Community Services, the Gavin Foundation, the Laboure Center, the Boston Bulldogs Running Club and the Grayken Center. More than $490,000 has been donated to these organizations since 2017.

Dianne Mulcahy, the mother of Michael Mulcahy, whom the race is named after, said: "My involvement in Mike's 5K keeps the memory of Michael alive. This event is all about families and individuals going through the awful disease of addiction. I know Michael is with us every race day and pushing us all along to a successful finish!"

Michael Mulcahy passed in 2016 after a 10-year battle against substance use disorder.

Nancy Jesson, the mother of Mike Jesson, who, with her husband, Bob Jesson, are among the biggest fundraisers and supporters of the annual race, said: "We are so proud to support the fight against substance abuse and carry on the memory of our beautiful son!"

Doors at the Cunningham and Collicot Schools on Edge Hill Road in Milton will open at 9 a.m. and the 5K begins promptly at 10 a.m. Register and donate at mikesfivek.org.

Norfolk County Agricultural H.S. Open House Sunday

Norfolk County Agricultural High School will hosting its annual Open House Sunday, Oct. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. at their campus, 400 Main St., Walpole.

No registration is required. Parking is available.

Explore the campus grounds and speak with teachers and students about their programs.

Programs include Animal & Marine Science, Environmental Science, Plant Science (Horticulture), and Agricultural Mechanics.

There will be student demonstrations, as well as Drill Team performances.

For students considering applying to Norfolk Aggie High School, this is a great time to explore all the Aggie has to offer.

Optional self-guided tours will be available and representatives from admissions and student services will be present to answer questions.

There will also be Chromebooks available onsite for any 8th graders who are ready to apply.

For more information call 508-668-0268.

Introduction To Estate Planning Oct. 11

Discover how you can help secure your family's future and protect your assets from risk and uncertainty, with an estate plan.

Join the team from B.O.C. Life Solutions (a licensed subsidiary of Bank of Canton) at Bank of Canton's 60 McGrath Highway branch for a complimentary seminar on Wednesday, Oct. 11, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

All are welcome, and lunch will be provided to those who RSVP. Call 781-830-6152.

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Docket No. NO23P2504EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Division
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
William T. Morrissey
Date of Death:
June 22, 2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner **Kimberly A. Mahoney** of **Weymouth, MA**

Kimberly A. Mahoney of **Weymouth, MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

9/28/23

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. NO23P2537EA-
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Norfolk Probate
and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:
Adonai Saint Fort
Date of Death:
07/21/2023

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Marie Hermanette** of **Weymouth, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Marie Hermanette** of **Weymouth, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 10/25/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 18, 2023
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

9/28/23

SUN FUN PAGES

King Crossword

ACROSS
1 Filly's brother
5 Group of seals
8 Old U.S. gas brand
12 Sandwich cookie
13 Sailor's "yes"
14 "Pygmalion" writer
15 Nevada city
16 Tropical fruit
18 Nebraska river
20 Demons
21 Towel word
23 Bol. neighbor
24 Engages in make-believe
28 Tibia's place
31 PC key
32 Hotel offering
34 Bond rating
35 Brusque
37 Tormenting
39 Spanish gold
41 IRS agent
42 Rustic homes
45 TV type
49 Table protector
51 Inky stain
52 Italian wine region
53 Notable time
54 Booty
55 Slugger Sammy
56 Letter sealer
57 Like custard

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2 Hurler Hershiser
3 Sultry Horne
4 Like some grins
5 Drink-to-go holder
6 Popeye's Olive
7 Hearing-impaired
8 Aromatic compounds
9 Chinese city
10 Uttered
11 Has
17 Actress Long
19 Afternoon affairs
22 Long-legged shorebird
24 Chest muscle
25 Baton Rouge sch.
26 Circus gymnasts
27 Short-lived levy of 1765
29 Author Fleming
30 Pester
33 Alike (Fr.)
36 One of the Nixons
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43 To boot
44 Diving duck
46 Trudge
47 Synthesizer pioneer
48 ABA member
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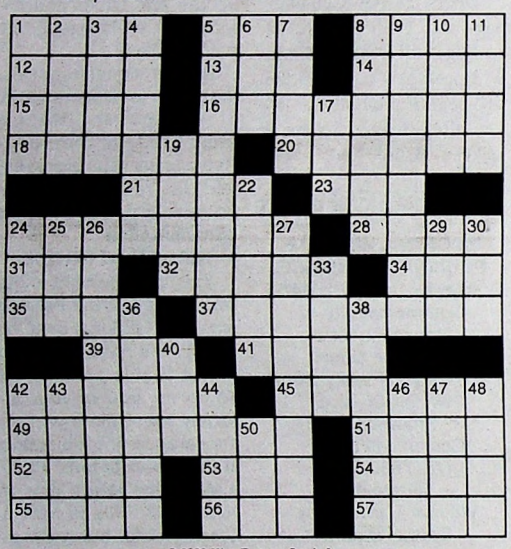

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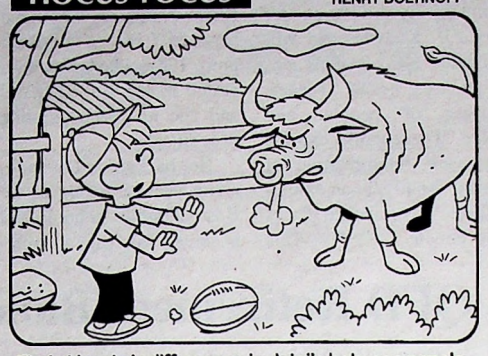
HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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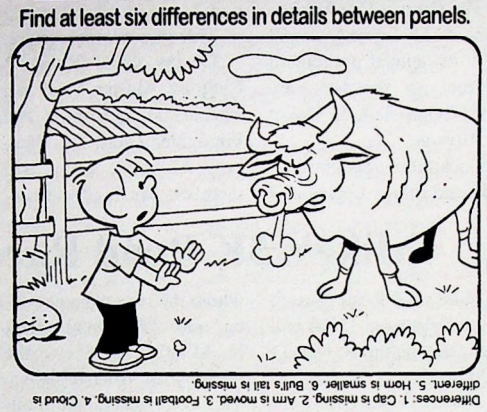

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Differences: 1. Cap is missing. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Football is missing. 4. Cloud is different. 5. Horn is smaller. 6. Bull's tail is missing.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: What is the name of the clown in Stephen King's horror novel "It"?

2. ASTRONOMY: How often does Halley's Comet appear in the Earth's sky?

3. U.S. STATES: Which state has the most electoral votes in 2024?

4. MOVIES: In "Jurassic Park," what kind of container is used to store stolen dinosaur embryos?

5. ART: Which art movement is Salvador Dali associated with?

6. AD SLOGANS: Which car manufacturer used the ad slogan "Quality is Job 1"?

7. TELEVISION: Which TV show spawned the spinoff comedy/drama "Maude"?

8. FOOD & DRINK: What is the main ingredient in falafel?

9. GEOGRAPHY: What is the world's shortest river?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are a crab's pincers called?

Answers
1. Pennywise.
2. On average, every 76 years.
3. California (54).
4. A canister that looks like a Barbasol Shaving Cream can.
5. Surrealism.
6. Ford Motor Company.
7. "All in the Family."
8. Chickpeas.
9. Roe River, Montana.
10. Chelae.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although practical situations continue to dominate this week, there's time for the Lamb to indulge in the fun things in life, like maybe taking a special someone out for a great evening.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This week favors relationships. Take time to renew old ones and make time to go where new friends can be found. On a more practical note, expect news about a business deal.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You should be seeing some progress on that new workplace situation. Meanwhile, family matters might demand more attention, and you'll want to set aside time to deal with them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A relationship might suddenly present some challenges you never expected. After talking things out, you might want to consider taking some time to assess what you've learned.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A disappointing response to a request might dampen the Lion's spirits, but you might want to ask the reasons behind it. What you learn can be of great importance in a future undertaking.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A once-volatile situation should be settled by now, giving you a chance to refocus on a project you've been planning for. Look for an interested party to rally for support.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business matter that unexpectedly turns into a personal situation could create complications. Best to resolve the matter now before too much harm can be done.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Emotions can run high when they involve personal matters no one really wants to talk about. But this could be a good time to create the means to a workable outcome.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A positive response to a workplace request could lead the way to other long-sought changes. Congratulations. A personal situation also takes a welcome turn.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Patience pays off, as that once-overwhelming work situation continues to become easier to handle on a one-by-one basis. Look for positive news from a colleague.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It might be a good idea to take more time and reassess your next move in working out a complex situation. You could benefit from a new perspective on the matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might want to consider making time to discuss a change of plans with everyone concerned. Be prepared to explain your actions. Also be prepared to listen to alternatives.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of what is right, and you try to work from that foundation. Friends see you as reliable.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **O** equals **M**

IFJM KDW BEDTJ KDWT ODMJK PTDO IDTU CMBCRJ V PDDEJR YVBJ, C TJXUDM KDW'R FVYJ WTMJR CMXDOJ.

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MAGIC MAZE ● THINGS WE PEEL

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H S A U Q S U Q R N K H E B Y
W T V R O L C J G E E B E Y W
U R O P N K U I G G G L D B Z
X V C C L S M Q O G P N M K I
G B A E I C B L A P Y O I O W
U A D S M L E Q A L T T P G N
L N O L E M R E T A W A J N H
F A E C O A N A T N Y M X A V
U N S N O I N O G T Q O P M N
M A Y A P A P K J H F T E C B

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: A PICKLE BEFORE PICKLING

Avocado, Banana, Eggplant, Garlic, Ginger, Lemon, Lime, Mango, Onion, Papaya, Pineapple, Potato, Squash, Tomato, Watermelon

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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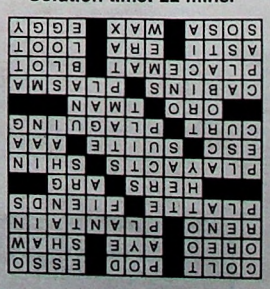
— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.



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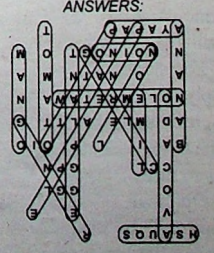

CryptoQuip
answer

When you store your money from work inside a footed vase, I reckon you'd have urned income.

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD – *"Priscilla's revenge"* is the new nickname for Sofia Coppola's biopic of Priscilla Presley, as it is somewhat of a rebuttal to Baz Lurhmann's *"Elvis"* ($288.7 million gross and eight Oscar nominations, including one for its Elvis, Austin Butler). The Venice Film Festival audience afforded a tremendous ovation for *"Priscilla."* In a Venice news conference, Priscilla even took the mic to say, "It's very difficult to sit and watch a film about you and about your life and about your love. I think Sofia did an amazing job."

She also expanded on how *"Priscilla"* tells her side of the story. "It was very difficult for my parents to understand that Elvis would be so interested in me and why. And I really do think [it was] because I was more of a listener," she explained. "Elvis would pour his heart out to me in every way in Germany: his fears, his hopes, the loss of his mother, which he never got over. That was really our connection. People think, 'Oh, it was sex.' Not at all. I never had sex with him [then]. He was very kind, very soft, very loving, but he also respected the fact I was only 14 years old. We were more in mind, in thought, and that was our relationship."

In addition, the Venice Film Festival gave rave reviews to Cailee Spaeny as Priscilla and *"Euphoria"* star Jacob Elordi as Elvis. This has elevated Elordi to the status of a sex symbol, as mobs of girls went wild outside the festival screaming "Jacob, Jacob, Jacob" desperately. Judge *"Priscilla"* for yourself when it opens in theaters on Nov. 3.

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Woody Allen's newest and, perhaps, last film, *"Coup de Chance,"* received a 5-minute ovation at the Venice Film Festival. Filmed in the French language, and also in France, it opens there on Sept. 27, but they haven't yet set a date in the United States. Protesters stood outside shouting "no rape culture," and "A rapist is not a sick man; he is the healthy son of patriarchy." The day before, banners read "Island of rapists" and "No Golden Lion for predators," referring to Allen and Roman Polanski, whose movie *"The Palace"* was up for a top prize. Sad that such giant creative talents have been marred by controversy.

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Taylor Swift keeps breaking records. Not only has she become the first performer to gross more than $1 billion in ticket sales in her recent tour, her movie "Taylor Swift: The Eras Tour" opens in theaters on Oct. 13. Tickets are priced at $19.89 for adults and $13.13 for children. The previous first-day record holder for ticket sales was $16.9 million, and with AMC's highly aggressive measures, her film will no doubt break records even before it hits theaters. After earning $92 million in 2022, a fraction of what Swift will make for 2023, it'll push her $740 million net worth over the top. No doubt she's a "Taylor made" billionaire!

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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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	+		÷		3
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KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

PATRIOTIC QUILTS – Quilting has long been celebrated as an American folk art, and American symbols like flags, eagles and the colors red, white and blue often appear on quilts. Some patriotic quilts have elaborate designs with multiple flags, appliques and complex patterns, sometimes incorporating commemorative banners. Others were simpler, like this quilt with a single small flag on a red and white checked background.

But simple doesn't mean inexpensive. The quilt sold for $4,750 at a Rago auction. The flag on this quilt provides a clue to its age. There are 36 stars, indicating that it was made about 1865, the year the 36-star flag was introduced. However, the number of stars on a flag quilt isn't always a reliable way to date it. Quilters may have altered the number because of artistic license. Notice that the flag on this quilt doesn't have 13 stripes.

If a quilt isn't signed and dated, its age is hard to determine, but there are some clues that can help. If you can see dark spots in the quilt when held up to a strong light or sunny window, they may be cotton seeds. Some collectors claim that this means the quilt was made before the invention of the cotton gin in 1793, but this is not necessarily true. Quilt makers in rural areas used cotton with seeds in it until the 1920s. The sewing machine was invented about 1850, but quilts were often handsewn after that.

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Q: I recently inherited what I think is an original Shirley Temple doll from my grandmother's estate. What can you tell me about it?

A: In the 1930s during the Depression, toddler Shirley Temple was credited with keeping spirits up and movie theaters afloat. Dolls made in her image were also popular. They were first licensed and made by Ideal Novelty and Toy Co. of New York in 1934, and they are still popular with collectors. Early dolls were made with a mixture of glue, sawdust and other materials called "composition." Vinyl dolls were made after 1957. Shirley Temple composition dolls from the 1930s have sold recently for about $50 to over $1,000. Price is determined by the doll's size, costume, condition and whether it has its original tags, box and script Shirley Temple pin.

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TIP: Don't turn on the porch light if you will be gone for a long time. It tells everyone that you are away. Install a photocell light that automatically turns on at dusk and off at daylight.

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CURRENT PRICES

• Fireplace, pair of andirons, ship's anchor form, brass, brushed finish, matching log stops, mid-20th century, 18 x 12 x 18 inches, $485.

• Furniture, rocker, child's, mission style, oak, leather seat, "Gustav Stickley Craftsman" on paper label, c. 1910-1920, 25 x 17 3/4 inches, $575.

• Cane, walking stick, hand holding ball, whale ivory, two ebony spacers, tapered ebony shaft, horn ferrule, whaleman carved, 1800s, 34 1/4 inches, $2,155.

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Strange BUT TRUE

• The small dots on strawberries are known as "drupelets" and are not seeds, as often thought, but do contain seeds.

• A dog named Chickie seemed like anything but man's best friend when she chewed up her owner's passport just days before his wedding in Italy. Fortunately, with a little help from local lawmakers as well as the community, a new one was issued in time for the nuptials to take place. As for Chickie, she was later given a mock "pupster passport"!

• Culinary icon Ina Garten, aka the "Barefoot Contessa," was a nuclear policy analyst for the White House before embarking on a career in cookery.

• A roll-on deodorant ball was the inspiration for Apple's first mouse prototype.

• Despite their widely different climates, Alaska and Hawaii share a highest recorded temperature of 100 F.

• Popular video game character Super Mario's original name was Jumpman. He was rechristened in honor of Mario Segale, Nintendo of America's landlord.

• A 2016 study by Yale University found that people over the age of 50 who read books for more than three and a half hours per week had a 20% lower mortality risk over a 12-year period than nonbook readers.

• Lachanophobia refers to the irrational fear of vegetables.

• All the nearly 6,000 residents of Suloszowa village in Poland live along one 9-kilometer street.

• While it's difficult to imagine anyone but Bruce Willis in the role of "Die Hard" hero John McClane, the part was originally offered to crooner Frank Sinatra, due to the film's technically being a sequel to "The Detective," in which Sinatra had played the lead.

• To own a rabbit in Queensland, Australia, you must first prove you'll display it for an acceptable purpose.

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Thought for the Day: "Don't go through life, grow through life." – *Eric Butterworth*

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Now here's a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• Cellphones get dirty, especially touch-screen phones. Be sure to wipe the surface of your phone daily during cold and flu season. Use an approved antiseptic wipe for electronics.

* I used to hate planning our family's weekly meals. Now we decide together at dinner on Friday night. We agree on meals for the week, and I can get a shopping list together in time for weekend shopping. It's made for less groans at mealtime, and the kids have been surprisingly creative and flexible about trying new things now that they are part of the choosing process. – *T.L. in Minnesota*

• To keep things running smoothly in the morning, all four of my children must be dressed, with shoes, and seated for breakfast before any television can come on. There's suddenly a lot of peer pressure to get up and dressed, and much more helpfulness in my morning routine. – *A.M. via email*

• I have found myself with an abundance of peppers from my garden, so I cleaned and chopped them, then froze them. I am able to take out what I need, and they won't spoil. – *C.E. in Florida*

• Creative uses for kids' artwork: Tape to cardstock for a homemade greeting card for any occasion. Hang from the bathroom mirror. Laminate and use as placemats. Large pieces can be used as wrapping paper. Frame and donate to local senior centers.

• To keep windshield wipers clean between replacement periods, dampen a soft cloth with rubbing alcohol and wipe the length of the blade.

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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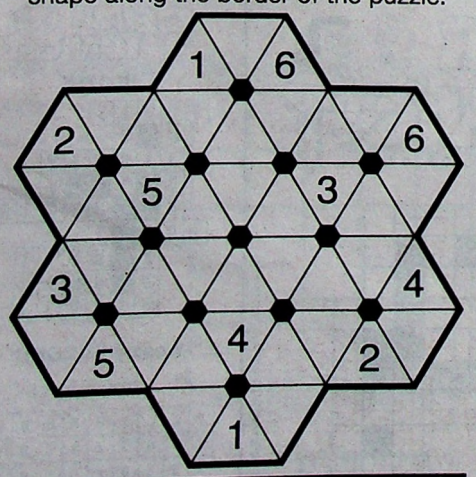
SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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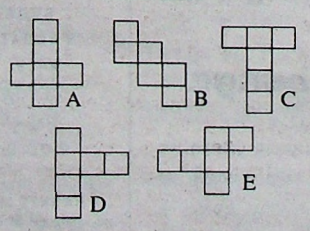
STICKELERS [sic]

by Terry Stickels

One of the figures below cannot be folded into a cube. Can you figure out which one?



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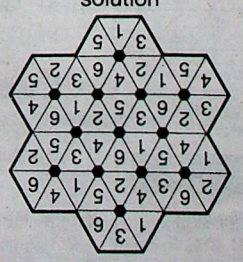
SNOWFLAKES solution



Go Figure! answers

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6	2	÷	9	+	3
	+		+		−
1	1	−	2	÷	4

Stickelers Answer

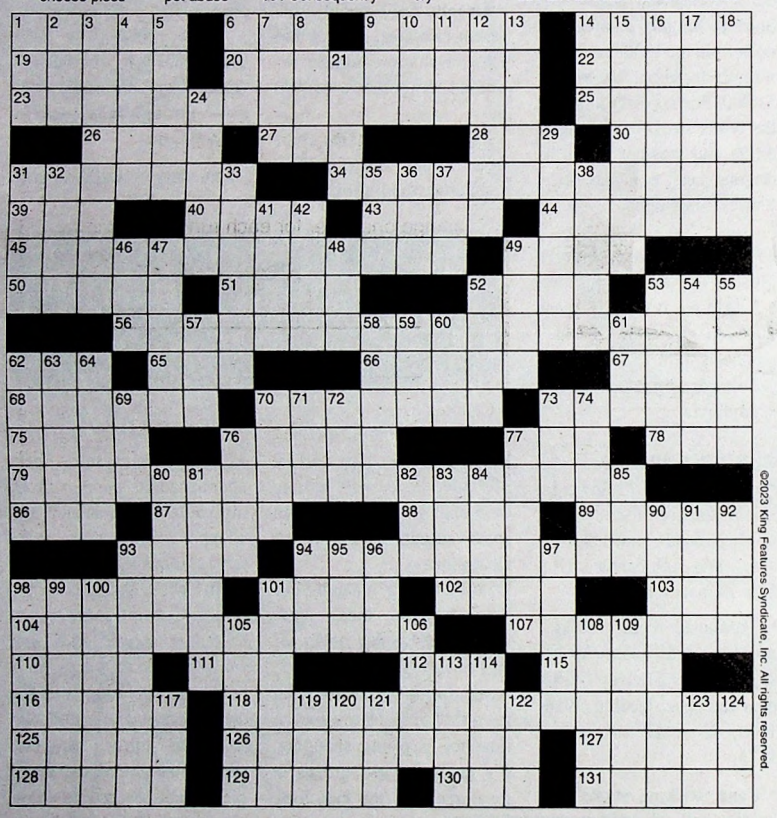
Figure D cannot be folded into a cube

Super Crossword

OH NO!

ACROSS
1 Vermicelli, e.g.
6 Commercial spots
9 16th-century pope
14 Olympic length unit
19 Had a dull, steady pain
20 Chart topper, often
22 Cockeyed
23 Hidden stockpiles of certain infield bags?
25 Low-pH liquids
26 Certain Southern sib
27 Tax doc. whiz
28 Lead-in to Pen
30 Ranch unit
31 Grassy tract
34 Instructions for securing a bottle with a screw cap?
39 Gods, in Italy
40 Some thin batteries
43 Owner of Zipcar
44 Promotional links
45 Dad providing the finances?
49 Cottage cheese piece
50 Reject, as a lover
51 Turner of "Betrayed"
52 Sashimi fish
53 Jesting type
56 Bane of not knowing which college major to choose?
62 Vigoda of old TV and film
65 Hirer of many 27-Acrosses, for short
66 Skyrocket
67 Toll highway
68 Chemistry class cost
70 Like the letter O in this puzzle's entire solution
73 Applies drippings to
75 Brain flash
76 Hajj city
77 "Palooka" actor Erwin
78 She's shearable
79 Design of a three-masted ship?
86 "The Addams Family" cousin
87 Swivel on an axis
88 Ribald
89 Org. against pet abuse
93 "Will you let me?"
94 Reiner or Sagan wearing a Santa suit?
98 Hawaiian porches
101 Diminish
102 Malevolent
103 Eat dinner
104 British apartment doubling as a malt shop?
107 Ticks by
110 Sister of Meg, Jo and Amy
111 Diminish
112 Comedic actress Issa
115 Fit for the job
116 Lauder of makeup
118 Famous German taleteller who lived in a farm building?
125 Rhythmic swings
126 Rhythmic way to march
127 Strike hard, biblical-style
128 Very inclined
129 Dutch cheeses
130 Stitch clothes
131 Consequently

DOWN
1 Butter square
2 Frau's "Alas!"
3 Small, agile Japanese dog breed
4 Irwin of "Crikey! It's the Irwins"
5 "Puff" snake
6 "I have it!"
7 Part of DVD
8 Stride
9 Actress Zadora
10 Business mag
11 "I hate it!"
12 Precipitates cold pellets
13 Italian motor scooter brand
14 Hamm of soccer
15 Boxed up
16 Slow-paced martial art
17 Footballer's sweep
18 "Start over" buttons
21 "Begone!"
24 Queen guitarist May
29 Not off-key
31 Alternatives to JPEGs
32 Sign on for another tour of duty
33 Hawk cousins
35 Toddler's cry
36 "— got a feeling ..."
37 Geraint's title
38 Theoretical physicist Paul
41 Way yonder
42 Did karaoke
46 Joanne of "Red River"
47 Bellybutton type
48 Driveway goo
49 Adorable
52 Eldest son of Mitt Romney
53 Be the author of
54 Cockeyed
55 Duck cousins
57 Rapping "Dr."
58 Very, in music scores
59 Hwy. crime
60 Banquet liquid holder
61 Rival of DHL and FedEx
62 Perp's story
63 Having no knack for
64 Roger of "At the Movies"
69 E-help page
70 No more than
71 Former U.S. RR regulator
72 Educ. facility
73 A/C meas.
74 Subtle glows
76 Kihei's island
77 Perplex
80 Pan Am rival
81 Paris palace
82 Bi- plus one
83 Make lighter
84 Video surveillance syst.
85 PC key abbr.
90 Submits, as a test paper
91 Mötley —
92 High peaks
93 Jungle knife
94 Half- — (java option)
95 "Good" cholesterol, for short
96 Lulu Hogg player Peggy
97 Imam's God
98 Vilifies in print
99 Scores 100 on the test
100 Stinging plant
101 Certain radio frequency range
105 Yippie Hoffman
106 Not false
108 Discomfit
109 Large feather
113 Raggedy — (some dolls)
114 Livy's "Lo!"
117 Seer's "gift"
119 Sanyo rival
120 '60s war site
121 ENTs, e.g.
122 Hack down
123 & so forth
124 Once called



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celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q: Is *"Dancing with the Stars"* coming back to ABC, or will it just be on Disney+? When will they announce the new cast? I'm eager for the season to start. – *P.L.*

A: After one season of exclusively airing on Disney+, *"Dancing with the Stars"* is returning home to ABC. This is likely in part due to new episodes of scripted shows being postponed until 2024 due to the writers' and actors' strikes. It will still be available to stream on Disney+ and Hulu, but a return to network television is a welcome one.

Julianne Hough, a former pro dancer on the show, is also returning, but in the form of co-host, alongside former "DWTS" champion Alfonso Ribeiro. She replaces Tyra Banks, who has left the show after three years. Sadly, longtime judge Len Goodman passed away earlier this year after battling cancer. This year's judging panel consists of familiar faces: Derek Hough, Carrie Ann Inaba and Bruno Tonioli.

This fall's contestants feature some big names from reality TV – Charity Lawson of *"The Bachelorette,"* Ariana Madix of *"Vanderpump Rules,"* Mauricio Umansky of *"The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills,"* Harry Jowsey of *"Too Hot to Handle"*– as well as singers Jason Mraz and Lele Pons. A wide range of thespians make up the rest of the roster: Matt Walsh (*"Veep"*); Mira Sorvino (*"Sound of Freedom"*); Barry Williams (*"The Brady Bunch"*); Tyson Beckford ("Zoolander"); Xochtil Gomez (*"The Baby-Sitters Club"*); Jamie Lynn Spears (*"Zoey 102"*); and Alyson Hannigan (*"How I Met Your Mother"*). This season's professional athlete is NFL running back Adrian Peterson.

Season 32 of "DWTS" premieres on Tuesday, Sept. 26, on ABC.

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Q: I'm confused. Is Drew Barrymore's talk show coming back or not? What about Kelly Clarkson's talk show? – *N.C.*

A: Both of these beloved talk show hosts and their popular syndicated daytime shows are on hiatus until the writers' strike ends. Initially, *"The Drew Barrymore Show"* was slated to return this fall despite the strike, with Barrymore noting that her unemployed crew needed to get back to work. But after protests from picketers and the negative stories that ran in the press, Barrymore recently had a change of heart and agreed to wait until the strike is resolved.

"The Kelly Clarkson Show" hasn't resumed filming in front of a live audience either. But when it does, it'll be relocating from Los Angeles to New York – once the strike ends.

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Q: Whatever happened to actress Meg Tilly? I remember seeing her in the film *"Agnes of God"* years ago, but I don't recall anything recent. – *L.L.*

A: Meg Tilly is probably best known for her Oscar-nominated role in the film *"Agnes of God"* almost four decades ago, but she has transitioned from acting into a solid writing career. She has written several novels, mostly of dark subject matter, and recently co-wrote (with Kelly Fremon Craig) her first screenplay, *"Ordinary Angels."* The film, based on a heartwarming true story, stars two-time Oscar winner Hilary Swank and will open in theaters next February.

Mauricio Umansky
stars in season 32 of
"Dancing with the Stars."

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Beauty parlor	S _ _ _ _	Eagle's claw	T _ _ _ _
2. Talkative bird	P _ _ _ _ _	Bugs Bunny's treat	C _ _ _ _ _
3. Verbose	_ _ _ D _	Fret	_ _ _ R _
4. Officer's brooch	_ A _ _ _	Dislodge	_ U _ _ _
5. Silver-tongued	_ _ _ _ T _	Kiss	_ _ _ _ C _
6. Originate	_ _ _ _ N _	Sink money into	_ _ _ _ S _
7. Courtroom event	_ _ _ A _	Warble	_ _ _ L _
8. Ice over	F _ _ _ _ _	Light wind	B _ _ _ _ _
9. Dishonesty	_ _ _ _ I _	Civilized	_ _ _ _ N _
10. Contraption	_ _ _ _ G	Ponder	_ _ _ _ K

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	8	6	1					2
		4		3		1		
9					7		3	8
	5				2	3		
8				9			4	
		7	5					9
7	3		2				5	
	6				5	9	1	
		8		6				4

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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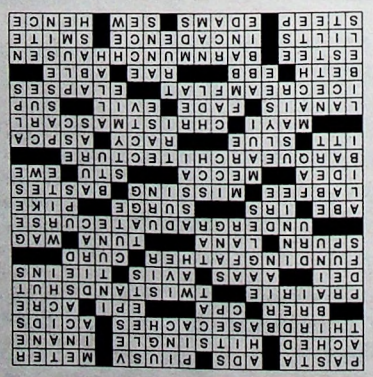
Super Crossword Answers



Even Exchange answers

1. Salon, Talon
2. Parrot, Carrot
3. Wordy, Worry
4. Badge, Budge
5. Smooth, Smooch
6. Invent, Invest
7. Trial, Trill
8. Freeze, Breeze
9. Decelt, Decent
10. Thing, Think

FEAR KNOT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

♥UGT
GULCON
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♥IRLA
CADLIP
♥RCA
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♥ILE
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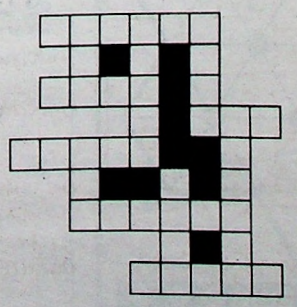

Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. **HAGNEC** becomes **CHANGE**). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥**RATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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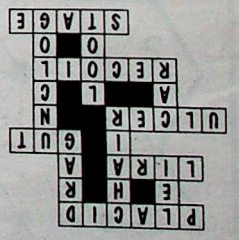
FEAR KNOT answer



Weekly SUDOKU Answer

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9	1	5	6	2	7	4	3	8
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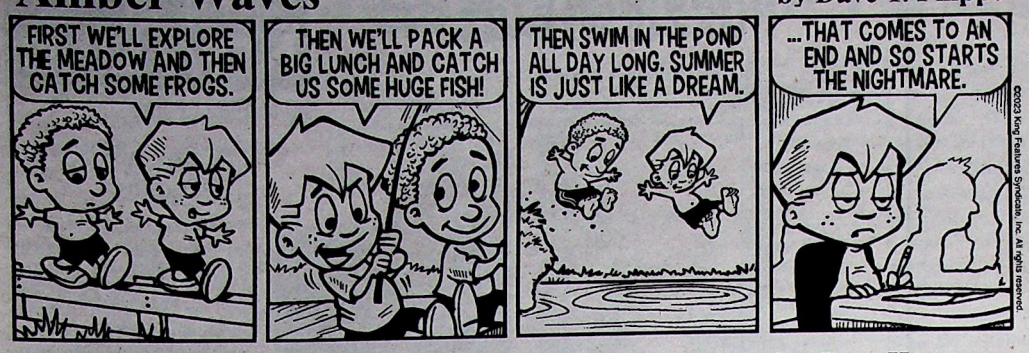
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

Americanisms

"We do today what they won't, so tomorrow we accomplish what they can't."
— *Dwayne Johnson*

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

Paw's corner

by Sam Mazzotta

Cats Get Allergies, Too

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat, Tushy, sneezes several times a day, and her eyes water almost nonstop. This has been happening for a couple of weeks. She didn't seem to have this issue before. My local veterinarian's office is booked up for another two months, so I'm not sure what I can do in the meantime. Can you help? – ***Harriet G., Roanoke, Virginia***

DEAR HARRIET: It sounds like your cat is suffering from an allergy to something in her environment. That could be airborne irritants like pollen, dust or molds. Or, it could be a reaction to something in her food.

You can try to figure out what's causing her reaction in a couple of ways. First, dust and clean your home thoroughly, and consider adding an air purifier with a HEPA filter in the room that Tushy spends the most time in.

Next, try a different brand of pet food for a couple of weeks to see if that makes any difference. Some cats are sensitive to certain ingredients in pet foods, and because those ingredients vary from brand to brand, it's difficult to figure out which one is causing the allergy.

When Tushy is able to see the veterinarian, bring along your notes about her symptoms and what effect, if any, the environmental and dietary changes above had on improving her condition. The vet can offer additional treatment and support, such as adding essential fatty acids to her diet or prescribing a steroid to help with her symptoms.

In the meantime, monitor Tushy's symptoms closely. If they suddenly get much worse, or if she becomes lethargic, vomits frequently or shows other signs of serious illness, take her to an emergency vet immediately.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from HEART to PERKY in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

HEART

_____

_____

_____

PERKY

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

"Do you have something a little _____? I'd like my family think I actually baked it."

Path — **SOURCE**

Charm — **BLEANG**

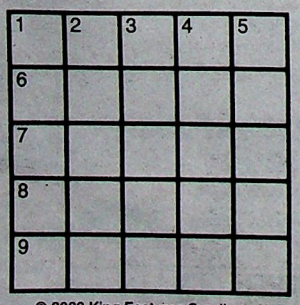
Crave — **RESIDE**

Herd — **RIVED**

TODAY'S WORD

Micro Crossword

By Elizabeth C. Gorski



Across

1 U.S. Open winner Naomi ___

6 Sheet music symbol

7 Film critic, often

8 Get hitched in Vegas, maybe

9 Touch, for one

Down

1 Shrek and Fiona's kids

2 Deli counter item

3 "Good Eats" host ___ Brown

4 Doesn't chuck

5 "It's ___ country!"

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STREAMING SOURCE

Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of October 2, 2023

ON NOW: "Werewolf by Night" (TV-14) – *Hulu*

ON NOW: "Stephen King's Rose Red" (Limited Series) – *Hulu*

ON NOW: "Sitting in Bars with Cake" (PG-13) – *Amazon Prime Video*

ON NOW: "God. Family. Football." (Docuseries) – *Freevee*

Oct. 4: "Haunted Mansion" (PG-13) – *Disney+*

Oct. 4: "Race to the Summit" (Documentary) – *Netflix*

Oct. 6: "The Boogeyman" (PG-13) – *Hulu*

Oct. 6: "Fair Play" (R) – *Netflix*

Oct. 6: "Loki" (Season 2) – *Disney+*

Oct. 9: "Stranded With My Mother-in-Law" (Season 1) – *Netflix*

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Sports QUIZ

by Ryan A. Berenz

1. What Japanese-born outfielder won World Series titles with the St. Louis Cardinals (2006) and the Philadelphia Phillies (2008)?
2. Marathoner Abebe Bikila, who won the gold medal while running barefoot at the 1960 Rome Summer Olympics, represented what country?
3. Name the head coach for the Houston Oilers (1975-80) and New Orleans Saints (1981-85) who said, "The harder we played, the behinder we got."
4. Basketball Hall of Famer Patrick Ewing was born in 1962 in what Caribbean nation?
5. What NASCAR driver was killed in a head-on collision with the wall during practice at New Hampshire Motor Speedway in July 2000?
6. What national ice hockey team won the eight-game Super Series 72 (also known as the Summit Series) between the Soviet Union and Canada held in September 1972?
7. What LSU Tigers quarterback was selected No. 1 overall by the Oakland Raiders in the 2007 NFL Draft?

Answers

1. So Taguchi.
2. Ethiopia.
3. Bum Phillips.
4. Jamaica.
5. Kenny Irwin Jr.
6. Canada, 4-3-1.
7. JaMarcus Russell.

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Micro Crossword Answer

S	E	N	S	E
E	L	O	P	E
R	A	T	E	R
G	C	L	E	F
O	S	A	K	A

WORD LADDER

Answer

HEART, HEARS, PEARS

PEAKS, PERKS, PERKY

SCRAMBLERS

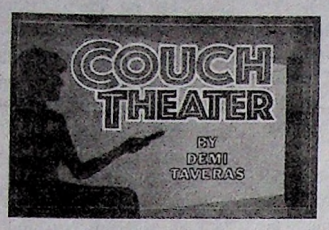
solution

BURNED

Today's Word

1. Course 2. Bangle; 3. Desire; 4. Drive

MORE SUN FUN



"Elemental" (PG) — Pixar's latest film is out now on streaming after garnering $484.2 million in the box office and getting deemed a "sleeper hit." Starring Leah Lewis ("Nancy Drew") and Mamoudou Athie ("Archive 81"), this film for the whole family follows fire element Ember as she starts to run her father's convenience store, The Fireplace, in Fire Town. But when Ember accidentally floods the store, city inspector and water element Wade files a report that could get the business shut down. It's up to Ember to save the store, alongside Wade, if she can control her fiery temper. Catherine O'Hara and Wendi McLendon-Covery co-star. (Disney+)

"No One Will Save You" (PG-13) — Kaitlyn Dever ("Booksmart") leads this sci-fi thriller out now. Dever stars as Brynn Adams, a young woman living a lonely life in her childhood home. One night, Brynn is awoken in the middle of the night by home intruders. As the intruders creep into her home, Brynn realizes that they are far from human. With no choice but to face off with these extraterrestrial beings, Brynn is pushed forward to her new future by confronting the demons of her past. The film is directed by Brian Duffield, whose previous work includes "The Babysitter" and "Underwater." (Hulu)

"Wilderness" (TV-MA) — In this six-episode thriller series out now, Will (Oliver Jackson-Cohen) and Liv (Jenna Coleman) are a couple who are seemingly put-together on the outside, but only a handful know the dark cloud of infidelity that envelops their relationship. Liv works to get over Will's infidelity as the two go on a cross-county trip to repair their marriage, but the trip ends in a fatality that transforms their entire lives. Critics are predicting that the series, which had its premiere on Sept. 15, will get renewed for a second season. "Pretty Little Liars" star Ashley Benson plays the role of Will's mistress, Cara. (Amazon Prime Video)

Courtesy of Hulu

Kaitlyn Dever stars in "No One Will Save You."

"Young Love" (TV-PG) — After Matthew A. Cherry's short film "Hair Love" won Best Animated Short Film at the 92nd Academy Awards, a series based on the short film was put into development, and it has now made its way to streaming platforms. Starring Kid Cudi ("House Party") and Issa Rae ("Insecure"), the series follows young millennial parents Stephen and Angela and their daughter, Zuri (and their cat, Rocky). Stephen and Angela juggle work-life balance, social issues and multi-generational dynamics, along with raising Zuri and helping her achieve her best life. The show is reminiscent of "The Proud Family," providing much-needed authentic representation. (Max)

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Contract Bridge

by Steve Becker

THE KILLING SHIFT

East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q —
♥ K 9 2
♦ Q 10
♣ A K 8 7 5 4 3

WEST
♠ J 4 3
♥ Q 10 4
♦ A K 9 8 6 4
♣ 2

EAST
♠ 10 7
♥ A 8 7 6 3
♦ J 7 2
♣ J 9 6

SOUTH
♠ A K 9 8 6 5 2
♥ J 5
♦ 5 3
♣ Q 10

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

Today's hand poses an interesting defensive problem. West was on lead against four spades and started out by cashing the K-A of diamonds. When East did not play high-low to show a doubleton, West correctly concluded that his partner had the only missing diamond, which meant there could be no advantage to leading still another diamond.

However, this left West with the problem of which suit to play next. Eventually, he shifted to the four of hearts, hoping his partner held the A-J. This did not work out well when declarer played low from dummy. East won the trick with the ace, and South easily made the rest of the tricks.

West would have stopped the contract had he shifted to his singleton club at trick three, which would have made it impossible for South to score 10 tricks. If declarer won the club in his hand and led a trump to dummy's queen, he would have no safe way to return to his hand to draw trump. Nor would he be any better off if he won the first club in dummy.

That this is the case should not be difficult for West to see. Assuming only the strong possibility that East has the ace of hearts, West should realize that if he shifts to his singleton club, declarer will not be able to overcome his inability to get back and forth to draw trump.

In fact, if South wins the club return in his hand, which is the normal thing to do, he has to play the A-K and another trump to hold himself to down one. If he tries some other approach in an effort to make the contract, he might easily wind up down two.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH – CHEESE CHOICES

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **Which U.S. state produces a lot of cheese?**

AMERICAN
CHEDDAR
CREAM
EDAM
FETA
GOAT
GOUDA
HARD
HAVARTI
MANCHEGO
MUENSTER
PARMESAN
PROVOLONE
RICOTTA
ROMANO
SOFT
STILTON
STRING

S	P	A	R	M	E	S	A	N	P
W	H	H	M	A	E	R	C	C	R
M	A	A	T	E	F	S	M	H	O
U	D	V	R	I	R	T	A	E	V
E	U	A	I	D	S	I	N	D	O
N	O	R	C	T	S	L	C	D	L
S	G	T	O	C	A	T	H	A	O
T	O	I	T	N	S	O	E	R	N
E	I	S	T	R	I	N	G	N	E
R	O	M	A	N	O	S	O	F	T

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Riddle answer: _ _ _

Koch, Mahoney Meet In First Mayoral Debate

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an issue there – but I have to tell you that we have to be careful because this will come back and I'm concerned for the taxpayers if we don't tighten that language and make sure it's a good deal for the taxpayers," Mahoney said.

Koch called the golf course and ballfields an "absolutely amazing asset for the city of Quincy," and said the city "did not pay one nickel" for construction of the golf course or the construction and maintenance of the ballfields. The city also gets "hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue" annually from the club, which was built on a former dump.

"There's still 31 years left on the lease with that developer," Koch said. "We'll continue to make sure the fields are appropriate for our youth as they enjoy those and we're going to continue to make sure there's access on the walking trails, which was raised during this process and I believe some of that has already been worked out with the developer."

THOMAS KOCH

ANNE MAHONEY

On the issue of affordability, Catalano read a question from a resident concerned about the cost of rent who asked the candidates "what can or will you do to help create opportunities for those who do not already own property to stay and build a life in Quincy?"

In response, Mahoney said that "we're building right now for affluent people to come to live in the city of Quincy."

"As your mayor, what I promise to do is actually do a housing inventory to make sure we understand what we have today and know what we're building for tomorrow to ensure that people can afford to live here at all economic levels, not just the affluent," she said. "We'll also have to make sure the builders and whoever is developing in the city is also ensuring they're building for those different levels, not just putting it into a trust."

Koch said there is a shortage of housing in the Boston area, including Quincy, and creating more units helps bring costs down.

"Whether we build specific workforce housing, which we have, you continue to have to have units in the market place to level the rents as they are today. We've done almost 6,000 units in the last several years, which has added tremendously to the housing stock," he said. "We've added a number of workforce housing developments whether it's The Watson, the Kiley Building, the Joe Finn Building, a number of projects the affordable housing trust has also financed."

The MBTA emerged as a topic at Monday's debate during a question on the redevelopment of Wollaston.

In her answer to that question, Mahoney said redevelopment of Wollaston should wait until issues on the MBTA's Red Line are addressed. Mahoney said Koch, who is a member of the MBTA's board of directors, has not been advocating for those improvements to be made.

"We need a mayor that's actually going to work very hard to make sure that the Red Line is working before we start building these buildings out because honestly without that working it just adds to the traffic that's happening in the city of Quincy," Mahoney said. "Currently, the mayor of the city of Quincy sits on the board and we've never heard him actually advocate for that. I've taken the train for 30 years. I know what it's like to take a train."

In response, Koch stated the MBTA had been neglected for decades and pursued new additions, like the Green Line extension to Somerville, over maintenance of the existing system, something he said he raised concerns about while serving as chairman of the MBTA advisory board.

"Fortunately, under Gov. Baker and now under Gov. Healey, we're moving forward with a tremendous investment," Koch said. "It's probably going to take another year, year and a half before we turn the corner. We're going to be seeing a new Quincy Center station as part of that and we are very close for all that to start to happen."

During the time for candidates to ask questions of each other, Koch asked Mahoney to point out her biggest accomplishment during her six years on the City Council.

Mahoney said she has made sure tax dollars are spent wisely.

"I feel my biggest accomplishment on the City Council has really been fighting for the taxpayers of the city of Quincy and making sure that…your tax dollars are being spent wisely," she said. "I'm not afraid to stand up and ask questions when it comes to asking where your tax dollars are going."

In her question, Mahoney asked Koch what he would say to residents who may be concerned that he is working on behalf of developers and not residents.

Koch said it is important to have relationships with those who invest in the city.

"The city is not in the business of building housing, so we have to have the relationships with those investors and the investments we've had across the city are paying dividends," he said. "Your taxes would be $1,700 higher on average if we didn't have this development."

Monday's mayoral debate was the first of two QATV will host ahead of the Nov. 7 municipal election. The second debate is set for Thursday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. inside Quincy High School and will be open to the public.

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Newbury Avenue
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Dear Friend:

I may be a little biased because he's my husband, but I respectfully ask you to **join me in supporting Tom Koch for re-election as our Mayor on Tuesday, November 7**.

As you may know, Tom has lived his entire life in North Quincy. In fact, he's never left Newbury Avenue: We raised our family together just two doors down from the house where he grew up. We're both North Quincy High School grads and our three children, Cornelius, Abigail, and Tom, Jr walked down the street to North as well.

The neighborhoods of our community are deeply intertwined in our lives. It's where he learned the values of taking care of your neighbors, treating everyone with compassion and respect, and doing everything you can to make your community a better place. These were the values instilled in Tom by his parents, Dick and Simone Koch, and they've been his life's work. As a young man, Tom spent a lot of time with his dad driving around our city, thinking about how to make it a better place to live. It's just who he is.

You don't have to agree with him on every issue- I don't (and I let him know it often). But I do know that no one knows our neighborhoods better and no one cares more about them than Tom. All you have to do is look at the license plate on his truck to know who Tom Koch is and what he values. He will work with anyone to make our city stronger.

Thank you kindly for taking time to read this, and I hope you'll join me in voting for a great father, husband and Mayor on Tuesday, November 7.

Sincerely,

Christine A. Koch

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